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Councils may get free hand over poll tax

Ridley forced into new retreat on timetable

By Philip Webster and Robin Oakley

Local authorities would be allowed to decide whether to phase in the new community charge or to introduce it in one instalment, under a change to the poll tax legislation to be considered by the Cabinet tomorrow.

The far-reaching plan, put forward by Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment, would mark a departure from the Government's previous decision to phase in the poll tax alongside the rates for a four-year period beginning in 1990.

It will be discussed by a Cabinet committee chaired by the Prime Minister.

Mrs Thatcher, who backed phasing rather than a single introduction, is understood to be sympathetic to the idea of giving local authorities the right to decide.

She is thought to believe that areas which would be badly affected by the sudden introduction of the community charge will go for phasing, and that there is no question of the charge being introduced in one fell swoop throughout the land.

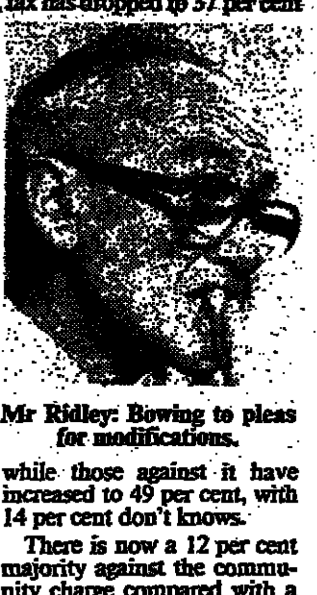
But the change would nevertheless be a big U-turn from the original plan to have uniform phasing.

The move comes amid growing evidence of the poll tax's unpopularity and confirmation that Mr John Biffen, the former Cabinet minister, will be heading opposition to the proposals when they come before the Commons late next month.

The latest MORI poll for Times Newspapers shows that the proposed new tax is more unpopular with voters now than it was on election day.

In a MORI poll taken on June 11, 43 per cent of voters said they were in favour of the replacement of rates by fixed charge paid by people over 18 in each household. There were then 39 per cent against the proposed change and 11 per cent don't knows.

But the latest MORI poll shows that support for the poll tax has dropped to 37 per cent while those against it have increased to 49 per cent, with 14 per cent don't knows.



Mr Ridley: Bowing to pleas for modifications.

There is now a 12 per cent majority against the community charge compared with a 4 per cent margin in its favour back in June.

What seems to have happened is that the Government's propagandaoffensive has produced a marginal 2 per cent rise in support for the poll tax among Conservatives.

Those in other parties who are against it have increased by 23 per cent among Labour supporters and by 14 per cent among Alliance supporters.

Mr Ridley was encouraged to press for modifications after the strong expressions of support for a one-off introduction at the Conservative conference in Blackpool and a backbench campaign is under way.

Mr Ridley has been called before the Conservative backbench environment committee on Thursday to hear MPs' views.

It has been disclosed that the Conservatives's powerful national local government advisory committee has unanimously backed proposals for a single introduction.

The committee, made up of Conservative representatives from the three main local authority associations and members of the party's regional organizations, decided that its quarterly meeting in Coventry that the poll tax "should be brought in at the earliest possible moment".

Mr John Heddle, chairman of both the environment committee and the advisory committee, said yesterday that after the Blackpool conference and the advisory committee's recommendation there was a clear need for the parliamentary party to have an early opportunity to express its views to the Secretary of State.

Any moves to drop phasing will be bitterly resisted by MPs in London and the Home Counties

The plan to give local authorities discretion on timing will be backed by many Conservative MPs who are opposed to the existing plans. But it will not satisfy those who are pushing for a comprehensive one-off introduction.

The strength of support voiced at Blackpool for a single introduction impressed many ministers, including Mrs Thatcher.

It is unlikely that tomorrow's meeting will take a decision on any change. Any move that departs from the phasing principle will be bitterly resisted by the Treasury, which is anxious to keep the rating system in being for as long as possible.

If a switch is made it will underline again the difficulties which the attempt to abolish the rating system has given the Government.

Although the original poll tax plans drawn up before Mr Ridley became Secretary of State envisaged a longer phasing period, he tried in the Cabinet discussions earlier this year to get a one-off introduction.

The Prime Minister was once thought to back the single introduction, but she accepted the Treasury arguments which led to the Cabinet committee agreeing to a four-year phase-in. Now in response to new demands for a one-off introduction the argument has been reopened.

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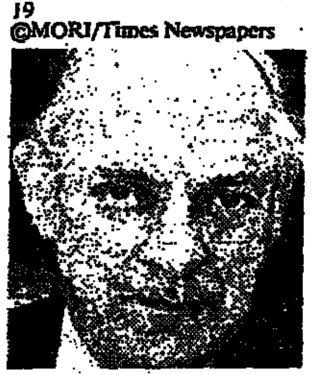

Mr Biffen: Leading protest against the new charge.

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Anti	39	49	28	30	54	77	38	52
Don't know	11	14	17	13	16	11	19	16
Difference	+4	-12	+27	+27	-24	-65	+5	-20
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Hard-left warning to Labour

By Philip Webster and Martin Fletcher

The Labour Party will embark this week on its comprehensive review of the policies on which it fought the general election in spite of sharp warnings from the hard left yesterday against diluting its basic socialist principles.

Labour's national executive will on Wednesday set up six review committees, made up of senior members of the NEC and shadow cabinet, to carry out the policy overhaul.

In so doing it will put itself on course for a severe clash with the far left, which flexed its muscles at Mr Tony Benn's socialist conference in his Chesterfield constituency.

About 2,000 delegates at the conference heard leading left-wing speakers unleash a series of bitter attacks on Mr Neil Kinnock's leadership.

Mr Bryan Gould, the party's trade and industry spokesman, was criticized for statements since the election that Labour must seek to appeal to those who have benefited from Mrs Margaret Thatcher's share-owning democracy.

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Sabatini wins

Gabriela Sabatini, of Argentina, beat Pam Shriver, of the United States, 5-7, 6-4 to win the Volvo tennis Classic at Brighton ......Page 44

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Chinese leaders counter rumours of retreat

Old brigade still in charge: Mr Deng Xiaoping, left, the architect of Chinese reform, and Mr Zhao Ziyang, the acting head of the Communist Party, surveying the scene at the opening of the congress in the Great Hall of the People yesterday.

'Open door' policy to stay

From Mary Dejevsky Peking

The Chinese leadership has given its firmest and most authoritative undertaking yet that its policies of domestic reform and opening up to the outside world will continue.

In a speech which sharply countered recent rumours that such policies might be faltering, the acting general secretary of the Chinese Communist Party, Mr Zhao Ziyang, said that the economic decentralization programme and the "open door" to trade and contact with other countries were "irreversible" and would be developed further.

He proposed a bigger role for private enterprise, the establishment of a professional civil service, and better guarantees for civil and human rights. Mr Zhao, in the opening speech to the 13th party congress, which opened yesterday in Peking, was far less ideological in tone than was Mr Hu Yaobang, who was removed from the general secretaryship last January, at the last congress.

More than half of the speech yesterday was taken up with economic matters and the justification for further reform. Mr Zhao's careful justification of the reform programme and his repeated insistence that continued reform was not incompatible with socialism suggested, however, that the issue had been keenly contested within the leadership and that doubters remained.

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He also appeared to step back from the party's earlier stated policy of "rejuvenating" the ranks of party officials, saying it was not always essential to retire elderly and experienced cadres.

With Mr Deng Xiaoping, aged 83, the architect of Peking's reform programme listening intently, Mr Zhao gave the party leadership's official assessment of China's overall performance since the last congress in 1982. He strongly defended China's economic performance over nine years of reform.

In his report, Mr Zhao was highly critical of China's bloated bureaucracy and its inbred corruption and abuse of power, and emphasized the need for greater protection of individual freedoms.

Some foreign observers suggested that the speech was calculated to improve China's image abroad and ease the transfer of Hong Kong to Chinese rule.

Insurance bonus to beat the burglars

By Robin Oakley Political Editor

Insurance companies are to be pressed by the Government to introduce no-claims bonuses for householders, as part of an unprecedented new drive on crime prevention.

Mr John Patten, the Minister of State at the Home Office, is to have talks shortly with the Association of British Insurers.

Mr Patten is expected to offer the insurance industry representation on a crime prevention organization which is to be set up soon after Christmas in conjunction with an £11 million advertising blitz, the biggest Home Office campaign.

Mr Patten said yesterday "The insurance industry is already doing quite a lot. It could do a very great deal to help the battle against crime.

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"I would like to see all our major insurance companies using their policies to encourage people to take sensible preventive action against domestic burglaries.

"That would be good business for them while enormously helping our efforts to reduce crime. A lot of reported crimes are due to people simply having left their back door unlocked or a window open."

Although some 75 per cent of insurers do something towards encouraging people to secure their homes effectively — refusing cover unless specific locks are fitted or imposing penalties — only one big company is understood to offer a no-claims discount of 25 per cent to householders who go for a required period without a burglary claim.

Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, and Mr Patten, who has charge of crime prevention, are planning a big change in the role of the Home Office, which they believe could make a significant reduction in Britain's crime figures for the first time in 30 years.

The planned measures include:

- The advertising drive to encourage all householders to fit adequate door and window locks. The Government says improvements can be made for £70 in the average house.
- A similar effort to curb thefts of or from cars amounting to nearly £1 million a year. In 20 per cent of such cases doors have been left unlocked or windows open.

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Hong Kong re-opening focuses markets' minds

By Stephen Leather, Hong Kong, David Smith, London and Bailey Morris, Washington

The world's financial markets are braced for another turbulent week, after record crashes last week in stock markets around the world, triggered by weakness on Wall Street. Expectations are that markets could go lower still.

The first focus of attention is the re-opening today of the Hong Kong stock and futures markets after a four-day suspension designed to prevent excessive losses. Hong Kong was the only exchange in the world to shut down completely.

The Hong Kong government yesterday unveiled a HK$2 billion (about £153 million) rescue to keep the futures markets afloat. The support package, provided by the government, leading brokers and banks, was introduced because of the danger of possible defaults in contract settlements.

The stock and futures markets are closely linked because of hedging on the futures exchange of physical holdings of shares on the stock exchange.

World attention will also be on President Reagan's meeting with senior Congressional officials at the White House today, which should have a profound impact on Wall Street and on the behaviour of the American dollar.

Mr Reagan has agreed to meet officials to discuss the huge American budget deficit: one of the underlying causes of the weakness of the American stock market. The talks are due to begin half an hour after Wall Street starts trading.

President Reagan's leading advisers have indicated that the President will propose a freeze of domestic and military spending at present levels. The proposal to reduce the deficit by $23 billion (about £13.5 billion) would avoid tax increases by advancing a spending freeze in addition to a variety of revenue increases including asset sales.

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The behaviour of the dollar will be watched with anxiety. Despite the steadying of equity markets worldwide last Friday, the dollar fell sharply, losing four pfennigs against the West German mark and pushing up sterling by three cents.

The dollar dropped below DM1.78, just above the level which the currency markets believe is the dollar's low-point under the Group of Seven industrial countries' agreement to stabilize its value.

Officials have always denied that there are any explicit currency ranges under the Louvre Accord of last February between the Group Seven countries. However, ranges have been detected by the action of central banks in the foreign exchange markets.

The sharp fall of the dollar last Friday lent support to the view that the main countries are willing to let the dollar slide lower, despite assurances from the American Treasury of its commitment to the Louvre Accord and from Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, that disagreements among the G7 countries had been patched up.

At the end of last week, when the FTSE 100 share index shed 500 points or 22 per cent of its value to close at 1795.2, Sir Nicholas Goodison, chairman of the Stock Exchange tried to reassure small shareholders and advised them to keep their nerve and their shares.

Share prices steadied on Friday afternoon after good trade figures and a half point cut in British banks' base lending rates to 9½ per cent.

There are no major economic statistics expected this week which could influence the markets.

Despite the slight steadying, the cost at the end of the week was a total of £102 billion wiped off British shares. The Government's £7.2 billion offer for sale of BP shares, which closes on Wednesday, is almost certain to flop. BP shares closed at 284p in the stock market on Friday, a full 46p below the Government's offer price of 330p.

US warns Russia after talks rebuff

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

The Reagan Administration, rebuffed and out-manoeuvred by Mr Mikhail Gorbachov's last-minute refusal to set a date for a summit, warned yesterday that it was running out of time and patience with Moscow — a hint that it might abandon plans for a Washington summit altogether.

Mr George Shultz, the Secretary of State, said that if the Kremlin delayed much longer the US might not want a summit. "This Administration ends in January, 1989. The heat of the election is no time for a Soviet leader to be here."

The Administration is still trying to determine exactly what Mr Gorbachov is up to, and whether he really is ready to kill off a medium-range missile accord unless he gets concessions on President Reagan's Strategic Defence Initiative, or Star Wars programme. Senior officials remain convinced that a treaty will be signed, but not necessarily at a summit.

There is little sense here that Mr Gorbachov's manoeuvre was the result of pressures from hawks in the Politburo. Instead, most administration officials see it as an opportunistic attempt to exploit Mr Reagan's domestic political weakness and the President's strong desire and need for a successful summit.

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Mr Frank Carlucci, the National Security Adviser, who spent hours in talks with Mr Gorbachov, said he did not get the impression that the Soviet leader was under internal pressure not to visit the US. "He seemed to be a man very much in charge. I would wager a judgement that if he

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Football violence spreads to the Soviet Union

From Christopher Walker Moscow

A football stadium in Georgia has been closed for six matches by the Soviet Football Federation in an attempt to stamp out a wave of European-style crowd violence that is sweeping the Soviet Union.

It was thought to be the first time that such a sanction has been imposed by the hard-pressed soccer authorities. As a result, the club will have to play its next home game, against Torpedo Moscow, 500 miles away in Volgograd.

Tass announced yesterday that the ban had been imposed following an incident on October 17, when supporters of the Georgian side, Guriya Lanchkhuti, went on the rampage and besieged the stadium after their team, which was only promoted to the first division this season, lost a crucial game to a Ukrainian side, Metallists.

It said the violence was started by the award of a penalty in the closing minutes of the match. Visitors were prevented from leaving the stadium until police intervened and escorted the players to the airport.

The disturbance came only weeks after a soccer riot in Kiev, when a train waiting to take home supporters of Moscow Spartak was attacked with stones and bottles by a mob.

Unprecedented coverage of the Soviet Union's newest social problem, which has led to calls for troublemakers to be banned from the terraces, was given in yesterday's edition of the weekly *Moscow News*, which devoted nearly a page to a letter from a Spartak fan calling for urgent new crowd control measures.

The article, illustrated with a photograph of young fans dubbed "fanatics", revealed that in addition to the riot in Kiev, there have been recent fights with the police on the Spartak terraces and one serious incident where a smoke bomb was detonated among be crowd.

The author, Mr Dmitry Lebedev, aged 22, a Spartak supporter since the age of seven, claimed that the new wave of violence had begun in May largely as a result of the Kremlin's new policy of liberalisation.

He said that a previous wave of soccer hooliganism in Moscow in the early 1980s had been harshly repressed by the police. Until repression was lifted this year, "chanting, shouting, wearing flags and hats, in the particular team colours, were forbidden". He added: "Once a militia man told us that it was forbidden to applaud at the stadium."

Mr Lebedev described the rigid procedures previously imposed on fans to try to clamp down on the type of terrace violence which has now begun to erupt again.

"Once, I was nearly deprived of the right to get into the stands because, during the 'voluntary search' I showed the militiaman the contents of my pockets. They saw a matchbox with the Spartak emblem drawn on it with a ballpoint pen. Can you imagine what a terrible crime it was?"

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NEWS SUMMARY

Pardoe criticizes Steel leadership

Mr John Pardoe, the former Liberal MP who managed the Alliance election campaign, has attacked the leadership of Mr David Steel.

At a weekend conference on political communications at the University of Essex in Colchester, Mr Pardoe threw doubt on the prospects for a third party in British politics and condemned the Alliance election manifesto as a boring *document which would have* been a disgrace to any political party.

Mr Pardoe went on to praise Dr David Owen as "the most exciting political prospect of my generation".

He called the Alliance manifesto "the least exciting, least stimulating, least intellectually credible document it has ever been my misfortune to campaign on", adding that the two *Alliance leaders had not shared the common ground it* appeared they had.

Museum appeal

Museums and galleries are being forced towards admission charges by cuts in Government grants, the National Campaign for the Arts reports today.

The lobby group is writ*ing to Mr* Richard Luce, Minister for the Arts, pointing out that such pressure would be re*moved from five of the* nine national museums if they were given an extra £5.3 million.

The worst affected is said to be the National Gallery which since 1979 has had its spending power cut by 44 per cent.

Tsars pay debts

The Foreign Office is about to announce the first compensation payments for Tsarist government bonds, almost 70 years after the start of the Russian revolution which rendered them worthless.

About 4,600 claims have been made by bondholders, who are likely to receive about 10 per cent of the total value of the claims in an interim payment to be repeated in 1989.

The payments of about £6 million, come after an agreement 15 months ago between Britain and the Soviet Union.

Patten powerless

A man with a criminal record, who was given a £10,000-a-year job as organizer of an inner-city development agency through a Home Office grant, cannot be dismissed, it emerged yesterday.

Mr John Patten, Minister of State at the Home Office, threatened at the weekend to wind up the agency at St Paul's, Bristol, which appointed Mr Kuomba Balogun, aged 27. However officials have acknowledged that they did not have the power to carry out the threat.

Mr Balogun is employed by the local charity, Bristol *1000. The Home Office is forbidden by its rules from hav*ing what was described as "a direct say in funding" because its grant is less than £20,000.

Jobcentre shake-up

The new Employment Service opens its 2,000 doors throughout Britain today.

The offices will combine the payment function of the unemployment benefit service and the job finding functions of the jobcentres. The new service is to cost £6 billion a year.

The merger is aimed at continuing the drop in the number of unemployed, which in the past 15 months has fallen by 437,000, and ending confusion within the jobs service *about who does what.*

Vote on hanging

The House of Lords is expected to reject a call tonight for the return of the death penalty for murderers.

A debate is planned on *amendments to the Crim*inal Justice Bill put down by Lord Mountgarret, a backbench Conservative.

He will also argue for rapists and persistent sexual offenders to be "rendered impotent", possibly by the use of drugs. His other amendments include bringing in the birch for *young offenders.*

No ANC 'secrets'

The only confidential Ministry of Defence documents recovered in the African National Congress kidnapping case were ageing Army infantry training manuals designated for restricted circulation but not considered secret, according to police sources yesterday (Our Crime Reporter writes).

Scotland Yard detectives discovered that the design of forged Ministry of *Defence warrants cards in the case bore* no relation to the real thing and were openly reproduced at a London printing shop.

Parkinson delays electricity sell-off

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

The Government's decision on how Britain's electricity supply industry is to be privatized will be delayed, it was disclosed yesterday.

The complexity of the sell-off *means that Mr Cecil* Parkinson, the Secretary of State for Energy, will not be able to announce the details of *the industry's restructuring by* the turn of the year as he had planned.

Instead, according to senior government sources, the Cabinet's decision is not now expected until February or March.

Mr Parkinson remains determined to introduce the legislation for the sell-off in *the 1988-89 session of Par*liament but the delay could raise fears among Conservative MPs at a time when there are doubts over the likely success of the latest flotation of BP shares because of the stock market crash.

The biggest issue facing Mr *Parkinson is the extent to* which the generating side of the industry will be broken up.

The delay comes as the Central Electricity Generating Board (CEGB) launches a campaign to keep the industry *in one piece.* A CEGB report, backed by Lord Marshall, its chairman, and leaked yesterday, is understood to say *that breaking up the industry* will result in price rises, a serious risk to continuous supply, a greater risk of indus*trial action and a long-term* risk of expensive over-capacity.

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Most Labour voters 'favour nuclear deterrent'

By Our Political Editor

Four in 10 of Labour support*ers oppose the party's defence* policy, according to the latest opinion poll. There is still a 2-1 majority in Britain in favour of the nuclear deterrent.

A Market & Opinion Research International poll for Times Newspapers reveals that even with Labour at the low ebb of 34 per cent national support, with the Conservatives now on 50 per cent and the Alliance on 14 per cent, 40 per cent of the party's supporters are in favour of Britain retaining a nuclear deterrent. Labour fought the last election on a unilateralist non-nuclear policy.

Asked to choose between different defence policies, 39 per cent of the electorate said that Britain should keep its own nuclear deterrent and stay in Nato and 26 per cent opted for Britain sharing its nuclear deterrent with other West European countries and remaining in Nato. That puts support for a nuclear deterrent at 65 per cent.

Just 23 per cent back the policy on which Labour fought the June election, saying that Britain should remove nuclear weapons and bases from its soil and waters but should stay in Nato.

A further 9 per cent said Britain should remove all nuclear bases and also leave Nato.

At Labour's conference in Brighton Mr Kinnock reversed *his insistence that de*fence would not be included in the party's fundamental policy review. After pressure from shadow ministers he confirmed that defence policy too would be put in the melting pot.

The latest poll figures indicate the political wisdom of that concession.

There is a majority in favour of retaining the nuclear deterrent in every class and age group of voters, ranging from a 15 per cent majority among those aged 18 to 34, to a 54 per cent majority among those over 55.

MORI interviewed a representative sample of 1,109 adults aged 18 and over in 74 sampling points throughout Britain. Interviews were conducted face to face on October 19.

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● Dr David Owen's breakaway Campaign for Social Democracy today publishes a hawkish defence document which insists that Britain should retain a nuclear deter*rent for* as long as it is threatened by the nuclear weapons of other nations (Our Political Staff writes).

The document, abandoning the compromises of the Alliance election manifesto, also accepts Trident as a fait accompli and argues for a strengthened and modernized European development pillar in the wake of a super power agreement to eliminate intermediate range nuclear weapons.

It pointedly derides Liberal unilateralism, and suggests that if a super power agreement is achieved it will have been the political cohesion and determination of British and other European governments in accepting American cruise *missiles* that brought the Soviet Union to the negotiating table.

Written by Mr John Cartwright, the SDP defence spokesman and Dr Owen's closest ally, it is one of a series designed to stake out a distinctive policy profile for the Campaign and to woo wavering Social Democrats away from the Alliance Party.

Tories spent £3m in four days to seal poll victory

By Robin Oakley, Political Editor

The Conservative Party spent £3 million in the last four days of the general election in June because Mr Norman Tebbit, the party chairman, feared that Labour was planning a concerted advertising campaign which would have demoralized Party workers.

Some of the money to pay those bills has still to be found, raising *the likelihood* that the Conservatives will run a hefty deficit for the two years after the election, as they did after 1983.

In the 1983 election campaign, when Mr Cecil Parkinson, then party chairman, cancelled much of the advertising plans for the last week, Conservative Central Office spent less than £4 million.

This May and June the Conservative election campaign cost more *than £9* million, according to preliminary estimates obtained from the party by Mr Michael Pinto-Duschinsky of Brunel University, Britain's leading authority on party finances.

Mr Tebbit feels that his tactics boosted the Conservative result. He says that Mr Parkinson's decision was sen*sible "whereas our poll exactly* matched the opinion poll forecasts in 1987 it fell a couple of points short in 1983".

Mr Pinto-Duschinsky quotes a senior Conservative as saying: "I would hate to be the official who balanced the books and lost the election."

In a paper given to a weekend conference at Essex University on political communications in the 1987 election, Mr Pinto-Duschinsky disclosed that the *Conservatives spent more* than they had done at any election since 1964. Labour's central spending of £4.2 mil*lion was the highest in real* terms in its history.

Overall the Conservatives spent £4.5 million on press advertising to Labour's £1.9 million. They spent eight times as much on Mrs Margaret Thatcher's tour as they had done at the previous election.

Mr Pinto-Duschinsky described the finances of the SDP-Liberal Alliance as confused, with five central accounts. There was one for the Alliance, one for the SDP, one for the Liberal Party organization, a separate Liberal *leader's account and another* providing "Sainsbury money" for advertising, amounting in all to between £1.75 million and £2 million.

Mr Pinto-Duschinsky said that the Alliance failed to use its money effectively, especially on costly party elec*tion broadcasts which* for all parties represented about £5 million worth of television time.

The SDP gained about £700,000, the same as the Conservatives, by direct mail fund raising.

The Conservatives are estimated to have received at least £2 million from company *donations though figures will* not be confirmed until company reports are published next year.

For Labour the unions remained the chief source of supply. Despite a steep fall in union members they gave £3.8 million to Labour's central funds compared with £2.1 million in 1983.

Mr Pinto-Duschinsky said that four fifths of political levy income are normally devoted to the Labour Party which probably received central and local contributions from the unions in 1987 amounting to between £10 million to £12 million.

Saatchis 'drafted speeches for government ministers'

A counter-attack from Mr Norman Tebbit, the Conservative party chairman, and Saatchi and Saatchi, the advertising agency, has re*opened the* battle within the Tory party over who was responsible for the election victory in June (Our Political Editor writes).

It has also produced the extraordinary revelation that Saatchis drafted the outlines of government ministers' speeches at the crucial 1986 party conference, which paved the way for the Tory win.

Mr Tebbit, who is expected to be replaced this week as party chairman, and Saatchis, who have resigned the Tory account after eight years, combined at a weekend conference at the University of Essex.

They insisted that it was they and not the advisers consulted covertly by Mrs Thatcher — Lord Young of Graffham, Mr Tim Bell and the Young and Rubicam agency — who played the key *role in securing the election* victory and steadying the Prime Minister's nerves during the campaign's crisis period.

Mr Tebbit and Mr John Sharkey, Saatchis' managaging director, in separate contributions, both identified the 1986 party conference, where ministers presented a carefully co-ordinated package of new policies, as the key launching platform which turned public attitudes around and set up the election victory.

Mr Tebbit said: "With the theme of 'The Next Move *Forward', devised with the* help of Saatchis, we gave the conference a coherence which had not before been achieved".

Mr Sharkey went further, claiming that his agency had been for the first time in*volved in mounting the con*ference. Their role had included the planning, staging and design of the conference. They had even been involved, he said, in "drafting the outlines for ministers' speeches".

On the events of "wobbly Thursday", when a panicky Mrs Thatcher had consulted *her shadow advice team and* demanded campaign changes after a rogue poll had narrowed the party gap to 2 per cent, Mr Sharkey reminded his audience that the Prime Minister had been suffering from an inflamed tooth at the time the sky appeared to fall in.

He admitted that Mrs Thatcher had sought alternative advice, condemned by Mr Tebbit as the work of "too many cooks", from "an *advertising friend of the past*": Mr Bell. He claimed that the "fancy research" by Young and Rubicam had been *demolished as inaccurate* by later polls.

Mr Sharkey claimed that the only real change in tactics that resulted from the consultations had been to switch the order of positive and negative lines in advertisements criticizing Labour and praising the Tory record.

He said that every advertisement used in the campaign had been seen and vetted by Mrs Thatcher, who *had given the team* an intensive three-hour grilling in advance, and who chose the final 30 pieces from the 80 offered.

Mr Tebbit disclosed that he had kept back for use, if the election had been close at the end, *unseen advertisements* "which were controversial to such a degree that I would have used them only if the contest looked close".

He also said: "The biggest weakness in our campaign was a lack of a director of communications. I had to fulfil the roles of Larry Whitty, Peter Mandelson and Bryan Gould."

It was Mrs Thatcher who ruled out the two candidates for that post put forward by Mr Tebbit.

On Labour's campaign, Mr Philip Gould, leader of the 200 volunteers from the advertising world who put together Labour's presentation, said that they had con*centrated on stirring emotion* and hitting the Government on social issues while trying to make Labour look like winners.

He hinted that the true objective of Labour's campaign had been the so-called "secret agenda" not of winning but of ensuring that Labour was not passed by the Alliance and despatched to a political black hole. Labour had begun the election in third place in one poll.

Mr Gould claimed a success for Labour's advertising tactics in that what sank the Alliance challenge was its lack of passion and emotion.

The other achievement of Labour's camaign was that Mr *Kinnock's rating as the most* effective leader had improved from 18 points to 43 points.

Socialist warning to Kinnock on policy

By Philip Webster and Martin Fletcher

Leading Labour figures launched a bitter attack on the leadership of Mr Neil Kinnock at the socialist conference at Chesterfield attended by more than 2,000 delegates at the weekend.

Speakers including Mr Arthur Scargill, National Union of Mineworkers' president, Mr Ken Livingstone, Labour MP for Brent East, and Mr Eric Heffer, Labour MP for Liverpool, Walton, also sharply criticized Mr Bryan Gould, the party's trade and industry spokesman, for statements since the general election that Labour must seek to appeal to those who have benefited from Mrs Margaret Thatcher's *share-owning democracy.*

Speaker after speaker claimed that the collapse of the world stock market had destroyed Mr Gould's case and returned socialism to the top of the political agenda.

Labour leadership sources were quick to dismiss the conference as an irrelevance which would not be allowed to *stand in the way of the party's* attempts to turn itself into an election winning force.

A paper to be submitted to the Labour Party next Wednesday by Mr Larry Whitty, the general secretary, recommends the establishment of policy review groups to consider the areas of community and social services, economic *production*, rights at work and in the community, fair taxation and benefits, the environment and international security, *including defence.*

The conference delegates pledged themselves to a campaign to promote grassroots socialism. Mr Tony Benn, MP for Chesterfield, declared the aim to be a "new movement for socialism", capable of winning power in the 1900s.

Mr Livingstone warned Mr Kinnock against betraying socialism through weak or timid leadership, arguing that however good one's policies were, "if you have a Ramsay MacDonald up front you have not got a cat in hell's chance of getting them implemented".

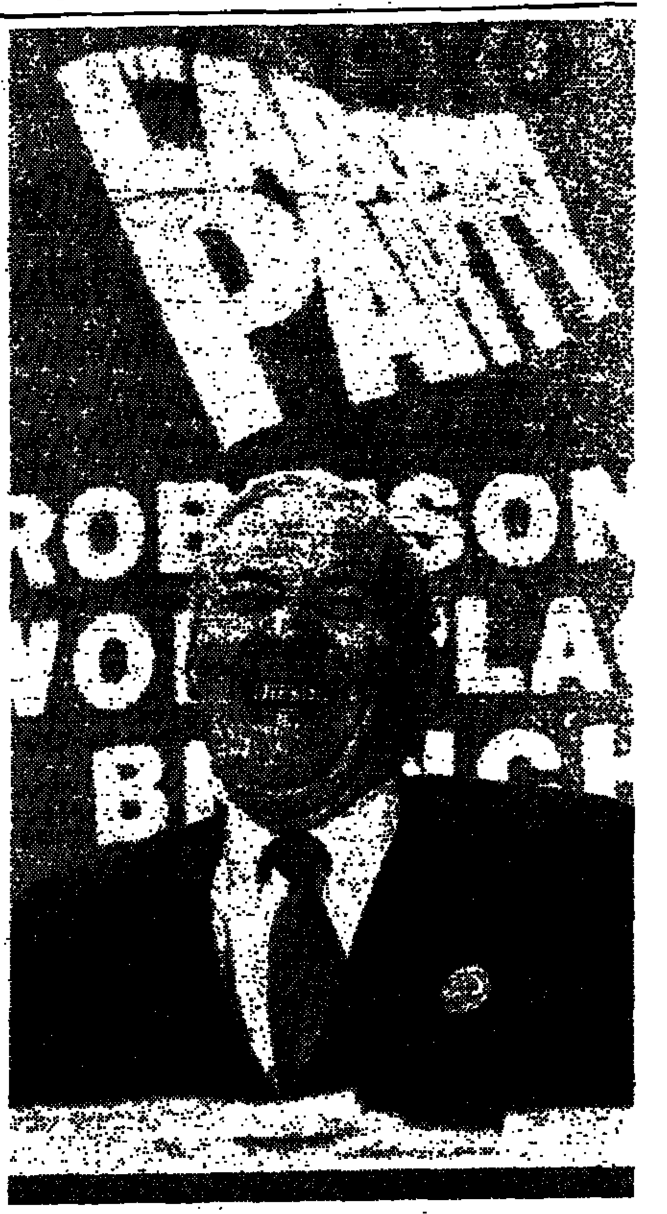
"*How* long would the miners' strike have lasted if Joe Gormley rather than Arthur Scargill had been leading *it? How many of the defeats we* have had in the past 10 years would have happened if we had been able to have Tony Benn as prime minister in 1976?"

Mr Scargill said Labour's so-called new realism was another name for a "class collaboration" whose purpose was to offer "palliatives not *revolutionary change*".

He said the leadership was committing "the fundamental error of believing that Labour can somehow win a general election through a change of style which demands divorce from socialist principles".

He said that "the battle for socialism is going to be won in the work places and streets".

***Mr Bernie Grant, MP* for Tottenham, was jeered when he suggested that councillors should not court disqualification through resisting government-imposed cuts in services. "No amount of heroism by individual councillors is going to make any difference whatsoever to the Thatcher Government", he said.**



Mr Tony Benn at the socialist conference.

TUC told to back no-strike deals

By Roland Rudd

The first meeting of the TUC's review body, which takes place today, has been warned by the electricians' union that if it tries to prevent no-strike agreements, it will jeopardize *the long term survival* of the union movement.

The TUC set up the review body at its Blackpool conference last month, to consider the future of the unions and particularly the pressing problem of single-union and no-strike agreements.

Such deals are supported by Mr Wyn Bevan, executive *controller for Wales in the* Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union (EETPU). The union has signed many such agreements in Wales and wishes to sign more.

Mr Bevan said: "If the TUC review body does not begin to embrace the new realism it will encourage the Gov*ernment to bring in more and* more unpalatable changes through further trade union legislation".

The TUC's year-long review will prepare an interim report on the contentious no-strike agreements by next March.

The TUC's initial response *will be a survey of all unions* seeking details of any single-union deals and no-strike and binding abritration clauses.

● Woman are losing out to the tune of billions of pounds a year in pay because of discrimination in the workplace, according to *Women's Briefing*, a new publication *brought* out to mark Saturday's TUC Women's Action Day.

The TUC is planning a campaign to highlight the fact that women's average hourly earnings are only 74.3 per cent those of men.

● *Supporters of the Militant* Tendency were yesterday accused of waging a "ruthless and bitter war" to take control of the *Civil and Public* Services Association's journal, which is currently run by a leading moderate.

Unwise rook sacrifice puts Karpov in lead

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

Anatoly Karpov, the challenger, moved into the lead in the World Chess Champion*ships with a sharply played* win in the fifth game on Friday.

Gary Kasparov's position began to collapse at about *move 34* and an unsound rook sacrifice on move 37 hastened his demise. Karpov captured a vital pawn with his queen, giving check, and the champion had no choice but to resign.

The opening was another Grünfeld Defence but Karpov chose a considerably more *testing variation against it* than that which he had used in games one and three. Kasparov continued with a little-*known variation which netted* a pawn at the cost of permitting Black considerable strategic compensation.

The main advantage of Karpov's uncommon choice was that Kasparov invested a tremendous amount of time in discovering an effective antidote. For his fourteenth move Kasparov used up an hour and five minutes, almost half of his allotted time.

By move 29 positions were balanced but Kasparov had little more than one minute left on his clock to reach the regulation time-control at *move 40. At this stage of the* game, although in serious time-trouble, Kasparov was seized with totally unjustified ambition.

But his planned invasion of White's position backfired and left his pieces stranded.

In the dying minutes of the game Karpov ruthlessly exposed all of Black's errors to score a crushing win. He now *leads by three points to two*, with 14 games remaining.

White Karpov	Black Kasparov	White	Black
1 d4	Nf6	21 Rb1	b6
2 c4	g6	22 Rb2	Qd5
3 Nc3	d5	23 Qd3	Nc4
4 cxd5	Nxd5	24 Rb1	b5
5 e4	Nxc3	25 Kh3	a6
6 bxc3	Bg7	26 Ng1	cxd4
7 Bc4	c5	27 Nf3	Rd8
8 Ne2	Nc6	28 a4	dxc3
9 Be3	0-0	29 Qxc3	Qe6
10 0-0	Bg4	30 Kh2	bxa4
11 f3	Na5	31 Rb4	Nd2
12 Bxf7ch	rxf7	32 Rxa4	Nf1ch
13 fxg4	Rxf1	33 Kh3	Rd1
14 Kxf1	Qd6	34 Qc2	Rc1
15 e5	Qd5	35 Qe2	h5
16 Bf2	Rf8	36 Be1	Qd7
17 Kg1	Bh6	37 Qxa6	Ra1
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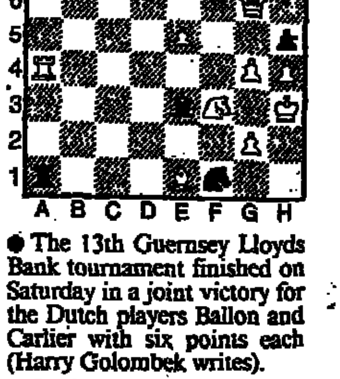
19 Bg3	Be3 ch		
20 Kh2	Qc4		

Black resigns



● The 13th Guernsey Lloyds Bank tournament finished on Saturday in a joint victory for the Dutch players Ballon and Carlier with six points each (Harry Golombek writes).

Carlier, who repeated the fine performance he achieved in last year's event, started off in fine style this year, winning five brilliant games.

Urban regeneration

Glasgow sets the pace in city renewal

By David Walker

The city of Glasgow, long one of the most extreme instances of inner-city decline, is today a shining example of successful regeneration, according to a study just published.

The ingredients in Glasgow's turnaround are proud citizens, enthusiastic civil leadership, co-operation between public and private sectors and the long-term commitment of large sums of public money to rebuilding and *refurbishment.*

Professor David Donnison, of Glasgow University, one of the authors of the study, notes the success of the "Glasgow's miles better" campaign. The slogan was devised by the city council and put on badges and hoardings all over the country.

"The people of Glasgow took the slogan up and made it their own because they believed it to be true", Professor *Donnison said.*

The university researchers who compiled the study attributed the confidence of Glaswegians to the ability of their city to recover on the stimulus of a large-scale renewal project coordinated by the Scottish Development Agency. The project, named Gear — Glasgow Eastern Area Renewal — involved a huge effort, started in 1976, to clear derelict land, repair council housing and attract private builders to the district.

Between 1977 and 1986, the total cost of Gear projects was more than *£315 million*, shared between the Government, Glasgow city, Strathclyde region and housing *associations.*

Glasgow is succeeding where other cities have failed "because its politicians, officials and business leaders have pursued consistent long-term *policies together*. Their determination to make Glasgow a good place to live has encouraged others to invest their lives and money in the city", the report says.

It is likely to lead to renewed calls for the establishment in England of anagency similar to the SDA to co-ordinate inner city renewal.

***Regenerating the Inner City: Glasgow's Experience* edited by David Donnison and Alan Middleton. (Routledge & Kegan Paul; £12.95).**

● A £1 million pilot project is under way to encourage potential entrepreneurs among the *unemployed to open new busi*nesses in an inner-city area of Birmingham.

The community business centre, on the border of Sparkhill and Balsall Heath, will boost community leaders who are urging local people to use their own efforts to regenerate the area and change its image of dereliction.

The project is being funded by the Birmingham Inner City Partnership, a programme which combines the Government, Birmingham City Council and the private sector.

***It will create units* where local people can develop business ideas in trades like carpentry, car repairs, textiles and metalwork.**

● Measures to conserve energy could help in the regeneration of the inner cities, the Association for the Conservation of Energy concludes in a new study of the *possible impact of improved* energy use.

The association says that more emphasis on energy conservation could stimulate new enterprises and encourage small firms, particularly in the installation of energy conservation equipment.

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Jockeys seek court ruling on betting tax liabilities

By Tony Dawe

Leading jockeys are considering going to the High Court to resolve a dispute about their tax liabilities in the wake of Lester Piggott's three-year prison sentence for tax fraud.

The dispute involves the winnings paid to jockeys from bets placed by owners on horses they were riding, a practice that challenges the rules of racing's controlling body, the Jockey Club.

The Inland Revenue believes the winnings should be treated as part of the jockeys' income from racing but the riders argue that the owners paid gambling tax on the bets and there is no further liability.

The dispute has delayed the settlement of tax debts uncovered by investigators during Operation Centaur, the big inquiry by the Inland Revenue and Customs and Excise into earnings in the racing world.

Among the dozen jockeys interviewed during the inquiry were Steve Cauthen anbd Pat Eddery, who are engaged in an enthralling race to become this season's champion. Willie Carson, who often rides for The Queen, Walter Swinburn, a brilliant young rider, and Joe Mercer, a former champion jockey who is now a racing manager, were also questioned.

Investigators discovered during their inquiries that Lester Piggott had earned £1.36 million from owners' bets over a 12-year period. The money had been paid into a single account and Piggott's failure to disclose it was one of the offences for which he was jailed for three years.

The practice of owners paying gambling profits to jockeys is a further embarrassment for the Jockey Club. Its rules state that jockeys are barred from betting and any attempt to do so could lead to disqualification. The jockeys can argue that they were unaware in advance of the bets but their acceptance of the winnings places them in an awkward position.

The Club is already embarrassed at disclosures in *The Times* on Saturday that senior members were aware of Piggott's secret agreement for receiving undeclared payments for riding horses in Henry Cecil's stable between 1980 and 1984, but did little.

Further allegations were made in a Sunday newspaper yesterday but Lord Howard de Walden, a senior steward of the Jockey Club on three occasions told *The Times*: "I have never sent cash payments to jockeys but I would not argue that there are payments like this being made".

The Jockey Club has yet to decide whether to take any action over Piggott's deals.

One person who is definitely going to the High Court is Piggott's wife, Susan. She has taken out a writ against Mr Danny Jananto, an Indonesian owner, seeking payment of £1.4 million for horses bought on his behalf.

Piggott 'settled well' in jail

Lester Piggott has "settled down well to prison life and is as healthy and cheerful as can be expected", his wife, Susan, told friends after she visited him at Norwich prison at the weekend (Tony Dawe writes).

He is being kept in the modern hospital wing and so has been spared the indignity of slopping out with other prisoners in the overcrowded Victorian cells.

The Home Office refused to comment yesterday on his accomodation but friends said he had been taken straight from court last Friday to the hospital section "to give him the chance to adapt to prison life and so that checks can be made on his health", including the possible brain damage mentioned by his counsel at the trial.

Mrs Piggott, who has been granted a temporary trainer's licence to run her husband's stables at Newmarket, went straight to the prison on Saturday after riding out with the horses in the morning. She spent more than an hour with her husband and told friends afterwards that he was "not complaining" and was "determined to survive his ordeal".

Piggott, aged 52 next week, had been told to expect a jail sentence after deciding to plead guilty to tax fraud involving £3.25 million. His advisers had hoped, however, that he would receive no more than 12 months which, with remission, could have made him a free man again within a matter of months.

The three-year sentence imposed on him means he must serve at least a year before being considered for parole.

He may go straight from the hospital wing at Norwich to an open prison in a few weeks' time.

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Latin lobby protests over rethink on core curriculum

By Sarah Thompson, Education Reporter

Government attempts to support Latin in schools have dismayed academics, teachers and writers who fear it will be killed off by the constraints of the national curriculum.

Their anxiety will be voiced in the Commons next Monday in an adjournment debate requested by Mr Michael Fallon, Conservative MP for Darlington.

He will repeat the claim of Professor Sir Geoffrey Elton, Regius Professor of Modern History at Cambridge, that the Government will create "a layer of unskilled yahoos devoid of either intellectual or spiritual depth" by letting Latin fend for itself.

The Latin lobby fears that because the foundation subjects take up around 80 per cent of the timetable, Latin must jockey for favour among at least 10 other "minority" subjects, including other foreign languages, in the remaining 20 per cent.

Mr Fallon will call for foundation subjects to take up only 70 per cent of the timetable, with optional subjects being approved by schools inspectors.

His proposal is expected to gain an embarrassingly high degree of support from Conservative backbenchers.

He said yesterday: "As it stands, Latin will be wiped out altogether. It is impossible even to take a Latin O level in the time remaining for it in the Government's curriculum."

Impassioned letters from leading academics in non-classical fields, such as Sir Geoffrey and Professor Kenneth Saunders, chairman of medicine at St George's Hospital Medical School, London, have forced ministers to look again at Latin.

Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education and Science, is to change the stipulation for "a modern foreign language" in the core curriculum to simply "a foreign language" or else "a modern foreign or classical language".

However, Dr Peter Jones, senior lecturer in Classics at Newcastle University, who has spearheaded the Latin lobby, said: :"What school in its right mind, on social, educational and vocational grounds, could defend making that single foreign language in the foundation curriculum Latin and not French?"

He added: "We are worried that the department has made no study at all of the consequences of imposing a core curriculum. We find without exception that Latin will be squeezed out – even in schools with a strong classical tradition."

Harrier jet mystery deepens

By Harvey Elliott
Air Correspondent

The list of possible causes for the disappearance of the pilot from a Harrier jet which flew unmanned over the Atlantic before crashing into the sea, lengthened as an inquiry team met at British Aerospace's Dunsfold, Surrey, aerodrome yesterday.

There is no trace, despite a massive search, of the jet's Martin Baker ejection seat. That has led to theories that it may still be aboard the aircraft.

Film taken of the aircraft as it flew across southern Britain, the Bristol channel and out over the sea will be examined by the inquiry team at Dunsfold.

If the seat is still on board it could indicate that the pilot had been sucked out of his aircraft.

The inquiry team is concentrating on the possibility of an accidental firing of the rocket motors which propel the seat out of the aircraft. If that happened – and there has been no such recorded incident – Mr Taylor Scott, aged 40, the test pilot, would have been strapped into the seat as he fell from 30,000 feet to 10,000 feet. At that point, a barometric device would have automatically separated him and opened his parachute.

None of that can be established until the seat is found and the search will be increased over the next few days in the downlands of Wiltshire. Mr Scott's body was found in a Wiltshire field.

Mr Taylor Scott, the pilot, who was found dead.

Storms aftermath

A million trees feared lost

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

More than a million trees are believed to have been brought down by the gales which brought havoc to southern England.

Both the timber industry and conservation bodies estimated a seven-figure loss as aerial surveys continued at the weekend in an attempt to arrive at a final figure.

Owners of felled trees were told to forget any ideas of making money by selling the timber. The Timber Trade Federation said the market had virtually collapsed and sawmills were paying rock-bottom prices.

It is possible that the owner of an exceptionally good quality oak, walnut or yew of the right girth and length might still find some interest among the furniture trade. But a federation official estimated that, as a result of the storm, the domestic hard wood processing industry had eight years' supply of walnut, 12 years' supply of sweet chestnut and 100 years' supply of beech.

One man who might have expected to profit is Mr David Franklin, who lives in Kennington Road, Lambeth, south London. His back garden contains two stricken Iolanthus trees which, because of their rarity, would normally be worth a small fortune.

But with the present glut of timber on the market, Mr Franklin has been unable even to find a contractor willing to take them away and he may end up burning them.

The federation said that even at the best of times, removing a fallen tree from an urban garden was likely to be an expensive business, costing the owner money rather than providing him with a profit.

Unless a merchant could bring a lorry alongside a substantial accumulation of fallen timber, it would not be worth the time and expense. Dealers could expect to obtain more than enough to satisfy their immediate needs from the clearance of commercial woodlands and large estates.

The federation said the Government, the industry and the Health and Safety Executive should also urge owners of fallen trees not to allow themselves to be panicked into chopping up large chunks and disposing of them.

There is considerable concern about the risks of serious injury from the use of chainsaws by people not used to handling them and not wearing proper protective clothing. The general advice to owners of fallen trees is to clear up and dispose of the smaller debris but leave large trunks where they are until arrangements can be made for their collection.

Owners should also ensure that trees still standing but weakened by the gales do not constitute a hazard.

In some cases, trees may be saved by replanting the roots and restoring them to an upright position, but this is a delicate and potentially expensive operation.

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Inquiry demanded over Italian mural

By Sarah Jane Checkland, Art Market Correspondent

The historic Italian town of Siena has for years been besieged by art historians questioning the authenticity of its most prized painting: the equestrian portrait attributed to Simone Martini, the fourteenth century genius.

Now it is faced with questions concerning another of its treasures: the mural of "Good and Bad Government", by Ambrogio Lorenzetti.

In a recent article in *La Nazione*, Signor Viola Danichi Zalassi, the Sienese Christian Democrat, demanded an independent inquiry into the painting's recent restoration. Is the "Good Government" in the hands of bad restorers?, the headline ran.

It appears the painting was treated by a group of restorers, only to require further treatment by a second group.

Locals fear either that the painting has been damaged, or that the first group of restorers discovered something about the painting that the second group was instructed to hide.

All that would seem fantastical if Siena had not already been accused in the international press, including the British *Burlington Magazine*, of obscuring the facts when it comes to the Simone Martini painting.

Both works are displayed in the Palazzo Pubblico, or town hall. The Simone Martini depicts the triumphal progress of Guido Riccio, the Condottiere who fought for the Sienese state in the 1320s.

The painting remained unsullied until the arrival 10 years ago of Mr Gordon Moran, an American former stockbroker who subsequently dedicated his life to proving it is an impostor, painted over the real Simone Martini.

He and Mr Michael Mallory, of Brooklyn College, have created a case which has convinced eminent art historians. Still, Siena refused to listen.

In February, Mr Moran added a new complaint: that someone had damaged the fresco at a point crucial in his argument.

Now he has started fighting his case on ethical grounds. He has sent dossiers of what he calls "improper art historical practices" to American academic bodies such as Yale

Mr Moran includes among his evidence the falsification of documents and the unfair suppression of himself and Mr Mallory at the 1985 international Simone Martini symposium.

"We said we wanted to present new evidence, but were told the question of Guido Riccio was closed. Then, they put up one of their own members, Professor Torriti, to speak for a long time, explaining how wrong we were."

China offer makes a royal parade

SALEROOM

China pieces commemorating monarchs from George II to Elizabeth II are coming up for sale at Phillips's on November 18 (Our Art Market Correspondent writes).

The collection, complete with the occasional cobweb and described by Phillips as "the Wallace Collection of commemorative china", belongs to Dr R Davies, a retired consultant physician from the Midlands. She started collecting in 1953 and is selling to create more space at home.

She said: "I offered it to the National Trust but it turned it down. Most museums only want one or two and I wasn't prepared to let it go into someone's reserve collection".

The 900 pieces, mostly mugs and jugs and all decorated with transfers, come in distinct phases. The first, from George II to Victoria, has the seediest look, with sepia-coloured portraits and mottled glazes. After a pause, caused by Victoria's longevity and the arrival of the industrial revolution, the era of Edward VII is celebrated with the first multi-coloured mugs, in 1902.

A further generation forward, the mugs for Edward VIII and his brother George VI are virtually identical. That is because the potteries, having mass-produced thousands of mugs in the former's image, had to adapt their model when he abdicated, inserting the profile of the latter.

Those in perfect condition are expected to fetch up to £1,000 but most remain in the region of £10 to £50.

Tins show what two can do

Graham Ritch (left) and David Thomson with Mrs Mathieson (Photograph: Tom Kidd).

By Kerry Gill

A primary school with one teacher and two pupils has collected a record number of aluminium cans to help tree-planting in the Third World, against competition from 4,000 others across Britain.

The school, on Graemsay in the Orkneys, was taking part in the "Oakwood Map of Great Britain" conservation project, run by Dr David Bellamy, the naturalist.

The pupils, Graham Ritch, aged eight, and David Thomson, aged 10, spent all their spare time collecting the cans. They scoured the beaches of the island, two and a half miles long, every day to find cans washed up by the tide.

The boys were helped by Graemsay's population of 24, who brought used cans to the school, and by the island's first wedding for five years, which yielded more cans at celebrations after the marriage of Mr John Ross to Miss Madeleine Trail.

Mrs Irene Mathieson, the boys' teacher, said that the cans were stored in sheds behind the school.

The three are to receive the £1,000 prize from Dr Bellamy in London on Wednesday.

Mrs Mathieson said yesterday: "The boys are absolutely delighted. They are very excited about the trip to London."

The boys collected more than 300 cans each. Their winning entry was calculated on the weight collected divided by the number of pupils in the school.

The Oakwood Map idea was conceived by Dr Bellamy and trees were planted in Sherwood Forest to increase the number of oaks in Britain.

Portfolio —Gold—

Winner to give cash for trees

A donation to the National Trust to plant trees after the storms will be one of the first things that Mr Eric Hunt, Saturday's weekly £8,000 winner, does with part of his prize money.

The good news of the Portfolio Gold win came after the bad news that drain repairs were needed to Mr Hunt's house in Gravel Hill, Nayland, Suffolk.

Mr Hunt, aged 57, works for the Institute of Chartered Accountants and although delighted with his prize, says he must spend some on "rather boring and tedious things like fixing the drains and replacing worn carpets".

A *Times* reader for 40 years, he and his wife Gill will nevertheless make sure they buy something frivolous.

Saturday's daily winner also received £8,000 after no claims were submitted on Friday. He is Mr John Laflin, aged 46, an export director from Great Wymondley, near Hitchin, Hertfordshire. A new car is on the way for his wife Shirley, and some antiques for their home.

"I've been high on desires but low on resources in the past but now I shall be getting some antique silver salvers for the decanters with the Portfolio money", Mr Laflin said.

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Obsolete hospital equipment 'puts patients at risk'

By Sheila Gunn, Political Staff

More patients could be saved by replacing old anaesthetic equipment still used by the National Health Service with more modern techniques, a House of Lords committee has been told.

Equipment makers also disclosed that many of the present machines have been in service for up to 20 years and would be classed as obsolete in other countries.

The British Anaesthetic and Respiratory Equipment Manufacturers' Association argued in evidence to the committee's investigation into priorities in medical research that important breakthroughs have not led to increased safety for patients because the health service does not have the money to buy new equipment.

"There are undoubtedly areas of anaesthetic apparatus where the introduction of improved technologies would prevent a small number of deaths", it said.

The association added that the Government's constraints on buying new equipment led to a serious decline in research into new technology. That had also damaged the industry's export potential, something that would be difficult to overcome.

"We believe that the Department of Health and Social Security is aware of the problem and beginning to face up to the difficulties of correcting past errors. But we must emphasize that a reliable and economically sound home market is an essential pre-requisite for industrial investment in research and development."

Mr Peter Styles, director general of the British Health-Care Trade and Industry Confederation, told the all-party committee that research and development spending on most areas of medical research "is abysmally low".

He called for a system of government grants to encourage drug companies to carry out research into new products.

"Perhaps research funding should be considered to be an investment for the health of the nation as a whole, including the health of its industry, rather than as a method of generating a cash cow which might benefit a particular department possibly at the expense of the nation."

Income-generating schemes being set up in the health service will lead to a two-tier system and the "dismantling of the National Health Service", according to community health councils in London (Our Social Services Correspondent writes).

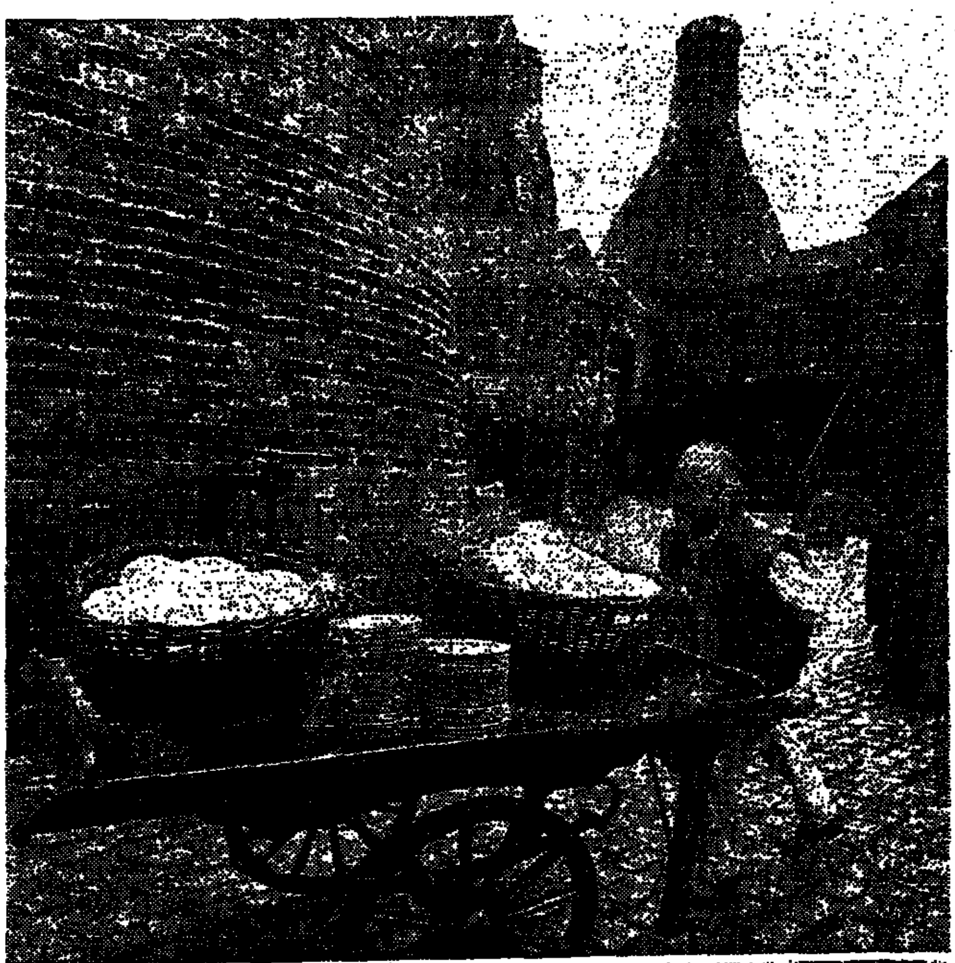
Proposals to raise money by selling services at St Bartholomew's Hospital, central London, to the private sector are condemned in a report published today by the Greater London Association of Community Health Councils, the health service supervisory groups.

The report says that the plans will lead to greater health inequalities.

The proposals are to be debated this evening at a meeting of City and Hackney Health Authority.

The warning coincides with moves by Mr John Moore, the Secretary of State for Social Services, to introduce legislation to enable hospitals to sell their services for a profit.

● ***Dismantling the NHS: A report on Income Generation in City and Hackney.*** **(Greater London Association of Community Health Councils; 100 Park Village East, London NW1.**



Mr John Gould, manager of the Gladstone Pottery Museum, wheels the latest batch of London Willow plates from the museum's kiln. Proceeds from sales of the new design, based on the traditional willow pattern thought to have been introduced by Josiah Spode I in the eighteenth century, will go towards a £250,000 appeal for an extension to the museum at Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire. The London Willow replaces the Ancient China design with historic and contemporary scenes, including St Paul's, and Tower Bridge, on which a beefeater and a guardsman pursue a thief with the Crown jewels. (Photographs: Philip Dunn).

Data protection: 1

New Act gives public right to correct files

In the first of a two-part series on the Data Protection Act, Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent, looks at the new right to see computer records.

People will be able for the first time to see files held on them by government departments and companies when the first statutory right to see personal computer records comes into force.

The "subject access" provisions of the Data Protection Act, 1984, which take effect on November 11, will mean that people can apply for a copy of all data stored on computer which relates to them.

They can insist on its being corrected if it is wrong or out of date, and can be compensated for financial loss or physical injury as a result of data which is inaccurate, lost, destroyed or disclosed without authority.

The right to see computer files, which extends to children, is one of the key elements of the Act and is likely to be robustly enforced by Mr Eric Howe, the Data Protection Registrar.

Anyone trying to evade the provisions, he says, will feel the full force of his office's enforcement powers. "If someone applies for information and fails to get it, they can complain to me. The teeth are there."

He has already made clear his disapproval of advice to universities from their vice-chancellors which seemed to give them a way to avoid providing students with examination marks.

The advice pointed out that marks might be "routinely" deleted during the 40-day period given to reply to a request for data. The advice, "from some of the best brains in the business", is not wrong in law, Mr Howe says. But it is disappointing in what is otherwise a positive document. He believes now that most universities have abandoned this practice.

How important is the new right to see files? According to research by the registrar's officials, very important indeed. A survey in April asked how people rated the right to see their records, to which 78 per cent replied "very important", and a further 16 per cent "quite important."

Similarly, 84 per cent thought it "very important" to know what the data was being used for. The same proportion wanted the right to correct errors.

Miss Sarah Spenser, general secretary of the National Council for Civil Liberties, said: "This right is a marvellous and very exciting development. Many people for the first time will be able to see files that have been entirely secret and correct them."

She cites one case arising from incorrect data: a woman stopped by police whose car registration was then fed into the police computer. This disclosed that she lived in a house where, unknown to her, there had once been a drugs raid.

The woman was detained for four hours. She later discovered from her father that the house had been raided as a result of a mistake by police, for which her father was compensated. The police files, however, had not been amended.

There are important exemptions to the right of access: any records held for national security, for preventing or detecting crime, or prosecuting offenders, or for tax collection.

Records covered by legal professional privilege are also exempt, but the privilege is that of the client and not the lawyer, so a lawyer could not refuse to give a client access.

Other exemptions are judicial appointments – barristers will not be able to see their files kept by the Lord Chancellor with a view to selection for the bench – and also statistics and research, where individuals are not identified, and payrolls and accounts, but not personnel records.

There is access to computerized medical records, but this may be refused if a doctor thinks the information is likely to damage seriously a patient's health.

Tomorrow: Enforcement

Personal pensions opposed

By John Spicer
Employment Affairs Correspondent

Companies seem to be opposed to the introduction of personal pensions next July.

Company personnel and pensions departments are making strenuous efforts to keep employees in their own schemes, according to a survey by the Institute of Personnel Management.

The study covered 100 companies with occupational pension schemes, employing 1.1 million people. It was to discover companies' attitudes to legislative changes due next year which will give employees the right to leave their employer's scheme.

Many companies were proud of their own schemes and protective towards scheme members. One personnel executive summarized it as "if they are under 40 we want them to stay in, if they are over 40 they have not got much choice".

More than half of those surveyed said that the company was opposed to personal pensions outright for those in occupational schemes. There would be a communications exercise to demonstrate the advantage of their company scheme.

The survey showed that fewer than 50 per cent of companies had made formal plans for equalization of retirement ages.

Company Pensions Intentions (Institute of Personnel Management, Camp Road, Wimbledon, London SW19 4UW; free).

Advisers for social workers

By Craig Seton

A full-time officer has been appointed to teach social workers in Birmingham how to deal with aggressive clients a year after one of their colleagues was stabbed to death.

The social services department of Birmingham City Council is also appointing two full-time welfare officers to help staff who suffer abuse after 164 physical and violent verbal attacks by clients in the past year.

The attacks have been monitored under a new system adopted after the death of Frances Bettridge, aged 27, a Birmingham social worker, who was stabbed by the husband of a client a year ago.

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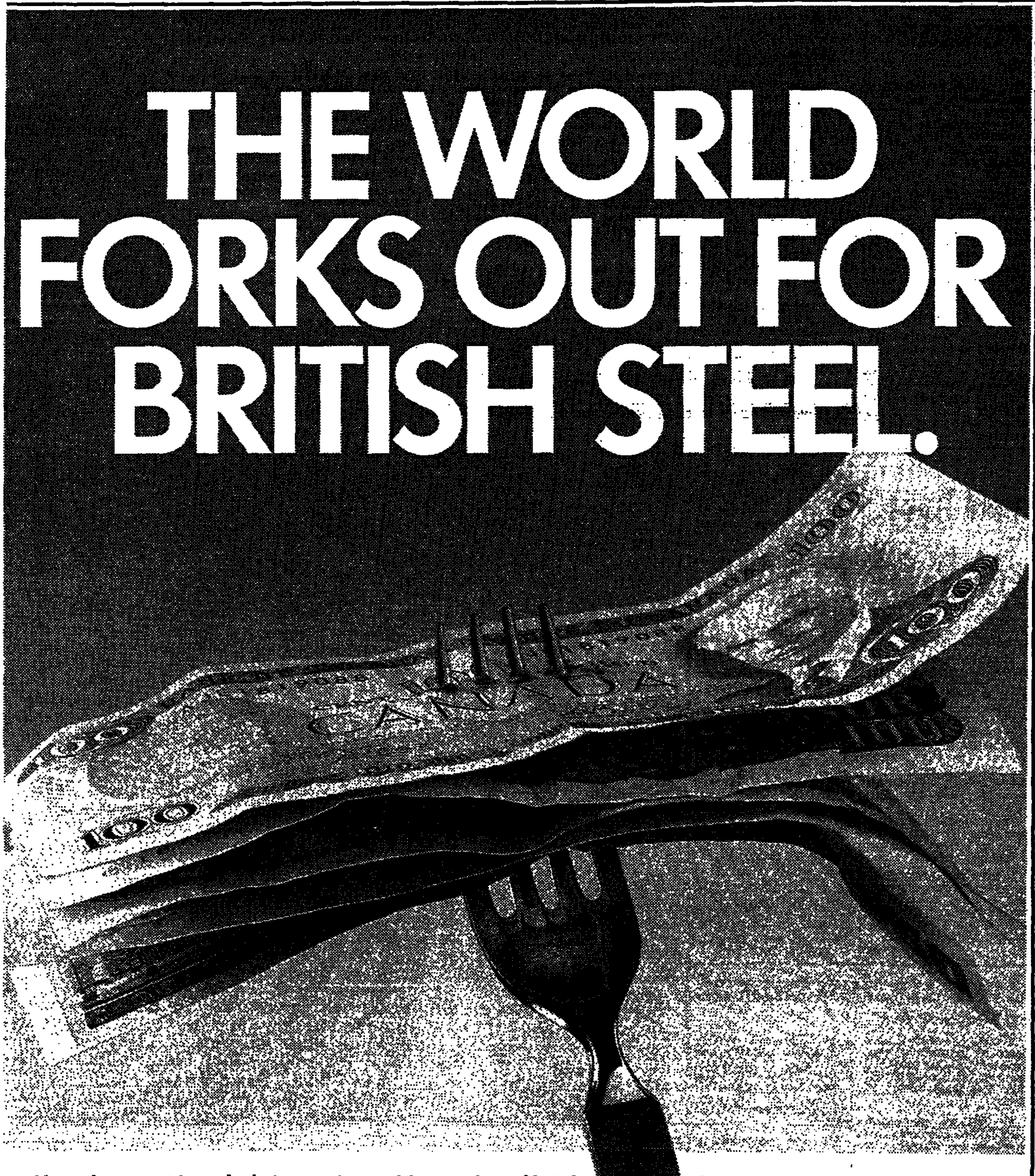

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Universities offered cash for research with results

By Pearce Wright, Science Correspondent

A £1.5 million scheme to encourage academic scientists to be more commercially minded is being launched by the Wolfson Foundation.

The trust has written to universities and medical schools, offering support for reseach that is designed to yield a specific product or process for medicine and health care.

Dr Alan Jones, Wolfson's director, said: "The object is to encourage academics to consider their research in commercial terms and, in due course, to provide income for the university and medical school".

It is the third time in the past two weeks that relief has come from the private sector for university scientists affected by cuts in government spending for research.

The closer links between university and industry will benefit pharmacentic and allied companies developing new medical technologies.

The Wolfson is a charitable trust established more than 30 years ago, with a long record of supporting universities. The two other benefactors are leading American drug firms: the Squibb Corporation and the Upjohn company.

Squibb is giving Oxford University £20 million to build new laboratories for the department of pharmacology. It will also pay for basic research into understanding brain disorders.

With more than 160 scientists working on different aspects of the nervous system, Oxford University has the largest concentration of brain research scientists in Europe.

The second agreement, between Upjohn and University College London, provides support for the overheads of a team of up to 20 scientists, and the university will provide space.

Advances in brain research, showing how the chemical signals are passed in the brain and through the nervous system, are opening the way to the design of drugs for specific brain-related ailments. The Anglo-American deals expose a rift between universities and industry in Britain on collaborative research.

The agreements made by Oxford and University College with the drug companies involved calculating the cost of research using standard industrial practices and allow for returns in royalties on discoveries that are commercially exploited.

According to the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals of Universities, government departments and industry are reluctant to pay the proper cost of commissioned research or, when appropriate, to pay earnings on royalties.

Next [illegible] issues [illegible] negotiating [illegible]

Against this background the Oxford university [illegible] agreement with Squibb is seen as a model example of collaboration.

It took more than two years to achieve. In September [illegible] after Professor David Smith became head of the department of pharmacology, he discussed with his staff how to escape the tightening squeeze on research.

Professor Smith's group decided on a personal approach to research directors [illegible] leading companies. They were at first thwarted when the Association of [illegible] Pharmaceutical Industry [illegible] to supply a [illegible] research directors.

A [illegible] directors of research in Europe, the United States and Japan. They were invited to a two-day workshop and social gathering, for which they paid [illegible] each, [illegible] September last year [illegible] attended. Only [illegible]

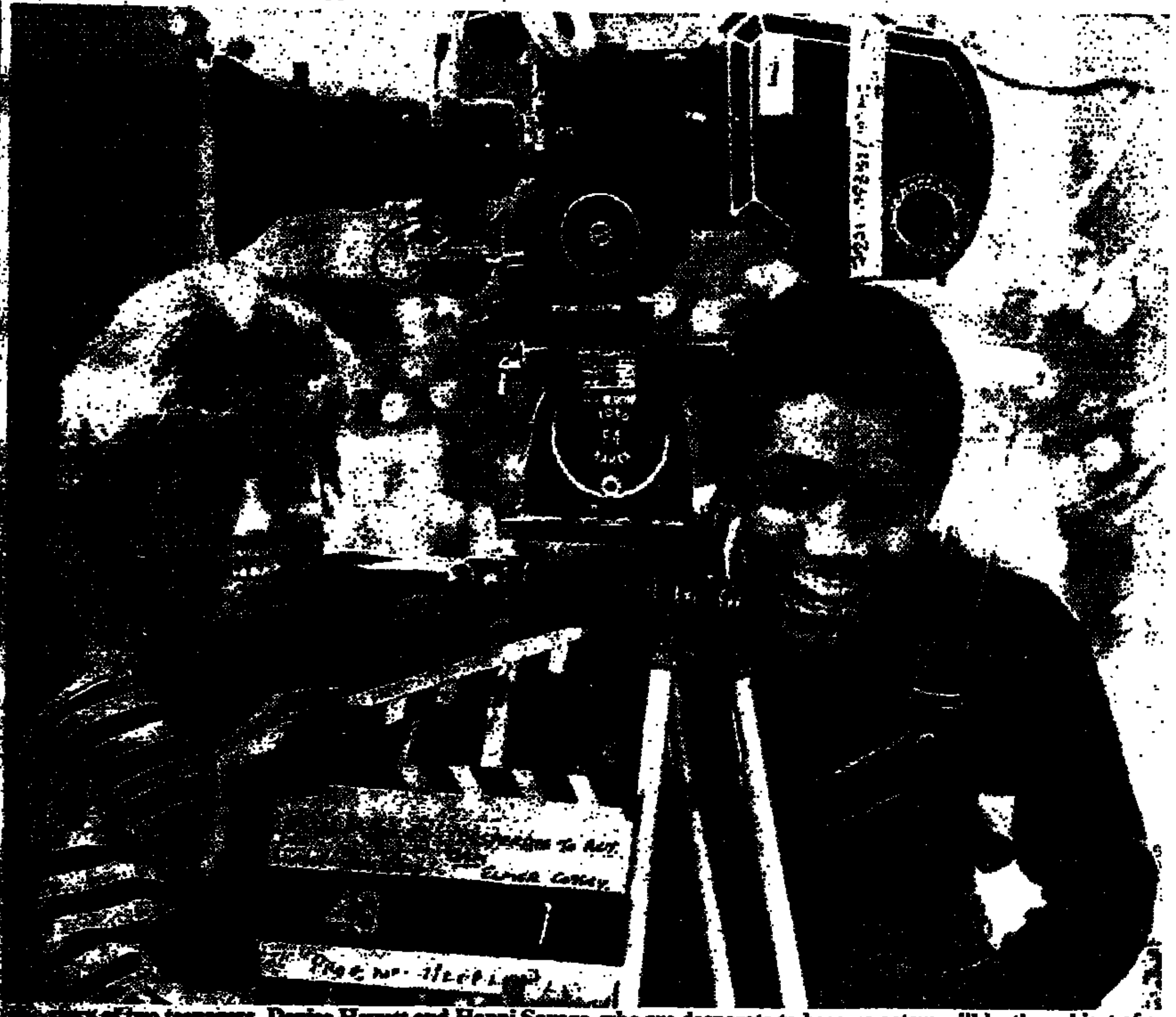
[illegible] proposals for co-operation from three American companies and one Japanese. It was the long-term view of research by the Squibb company that appealed to Professor Smith.

After a year of negotiations, the company and university reached agreement last week. Squibb will pay £9.6 million for a new building almost twice the size of the existing pharmacology department.

It will have contacts with other scientists engaged in brain research at Oxford, including the new Medical Research Council's unit in anatomical neuropharmacology.

The company will also provide £10.4 million in research in five areas over the next seven years, with the option of funding being extended until 1999.

Acting hopefuls move to centre stage



The story of two teenagers, Denise Hewett and Happi Savage, who are desperate to become actors will be the subject of a programme in a new BBC series, *The Londown*, next year. Denise, (left) aged 14, from Cardiff, and Happi, aged 15, from Liverpool, were in London yesterday for tuition at the Anna Scher Theatre in Islington (Photograph: Peter Trievnor).

National sex survey to combat Aids

By Thomson Prentice
Science Correspondent

A national sex survey, including questions for teenagers on their sexual behaviour, is to be launched by the Government to help combat the spread of Aids.

The results are likely to be used in new campaigns, given a budget of £4.1 million, to reduce cases of the virus.

The survey is one of the ideas being developed by the Health Education Authority, which today takes over responsibility for the campaigns from the Department of Health and Social Security.

It is likely that teams of researchers will carry out different aspects of the project in selected parts of the country.

Particular attention will be paid to teenagers and young adults. Hundreds will be questioned at length about their lifestyles and sexual behaviour.

The questions will focus on areas such as the number and frequency of sexual partners.

Dr Mukesh Kapila, a Health Education Authority specialist in community medicine, said: "We know very little about sexual behaviour in Britain.

"Our hope is that by gaining a better understanding of how people conduct their lives we will be able to develop campaigns which help them make informed decisions."

The authority plans to launch a new Aids publicity campaign, probably early next year, which will be aimed at the sexually active public.

Motorway repairs

Second bridge surveys start

By Rodney Cowton, Transport Correspondent

The project to build a second crossing of the River Severn by the mid-1990s has advanced with the appointment of consultants to carry out detailed surveys.

Thye will be carried out in the English Stones area, south of the existing bridge.

The consultants will also look at ways of involving private capital in the project.

Main motorway repairs until next Monday:

London and the South-east

M11 Essex: contraflow, jn 6-7 (M25/Harlow).
M11 Essex: lane closures, jn 8 (Stansted airport).
M27 Hampshire: contraflow, jn 3-4 (M271/A33).
M27 Hampshire: Lane restrictions, jn 5 (Stoneham interchange).
M275 Hampshire: flyover work between M27 and Rudmore roundabout.
M3 Hampshire: contraflow, jn 9-7 (Winchester/Basingstoke).
M4 Berkshire: contraflow, jn 13 (Newbury) to Membury services. Eastbound entry slip closed at junction 14 (Hungerford).
M4 London: lane closures, eastbound exit slip, jn 4 (Heathrow).
M40 Oxfordshire: contraflow, jn 6-7 (Watlington/[illegible]).
M40/A40 Buckinghamshire: restrictions, Denham roundabout.
M1 London: lane closures, jn 4-5, (Edgware/A41 Watford).
M1 Hertfordshire: contraflow, slip road closures, jn 9-11 (Harpenden/ Dunstable).
M1 Buckinghamshire: contraflow, jn 14-15 (Newport Pagnell/Northampton).
M10 Hertfordshire: single lane northbound, Park Street roundabout to M1, jn 7.
M2 Kent: contraflows, jn 4-7 (Gillingham/ A2).
M20 Kent: contraflow, jn 1-2 (M25/Wrotham).

Midlands

M5 Hereford/Worcester: contraflow, slip road closures, jn 5-7 (Bromsgrove/Worcester south).
M5 West Midlands: lane closures, slip road closures, jn 1-2, (West Bromwich/Birmingham West).
M5 Hereford/Worcester: lane and carriageway closures, jn 4a (Bromsgrove/[illegible]).
M54 West Midlands/Shropshire: lane closures, jn 4-5 in both directions (Telford).
M54 West Midlands/Shropshire: one lane eastbound, jn 6 (Telford West).
M6 Staffordshire: contraflow, jn 11-12 (Cannock/Wolverhampton).

North

M62/M6 Cheshire: lane closures, contraflows at intersection.
M62 Lancs/Yorks border: slip road restrictions, jn 21-22 (A640/A672).
M62/M18 Humberside: contraflow, jn 34-36 (A19/Goole).
M61 Greater Manchester: diversions, jn 5 (A58/Bolton).
M63 Greater Manchester: restrictions, Barton Bridge.
M63 Greater Manchester: two lanes only, Portwood roundabout, Stockport.
M56 Greater Manchester: contraflow, jn 4-6 (Manchester/Hale). Allow extra time for journeys to Manchester airport.
M18 South Yorkshire: contraflow and diversions, jn 2 and jn 32 of M1.
M1 West Yorkshire: contraflow and slip road closures, jn 39-40 (Wakefield/Dewsbury).
A1(M) County Durham: bridge painting, Pit Laddie interchange [illegible]

Wales and the West

M4 Wiltshire: contraflow, jn 17-18 (Chippenham/A46 Bath).
M4 [illegible]
M4 [illegible]: repairs, jn 35 (near Pencoed).
M5 Gloucestershire: lane closures, in 9-12, in both directions (Tewkesbury/Gloucester).
M5 Gloucestershire/Avon: contraflow, slip road closures, diversions, jn 13-15 (Stroud/M4).
M5 Somerset/Devon: lane closures, jn 22-29 (Burnham-on-Sea/Exeter airport).

Scotland

M8 Lothian: contraflow, jn 3-4 (Livingston/Bathgate).
M8 Strathclyde: lane closures, jn 6 (Newhouse).
M8 Strathclyde: lane closures, jn 27-29 (Renfrew/A740).
M9 Lothian/Central: two-way traffic eastbound between junctions 4-6 (Bathgate/Falkirk).
M74 Strathclyde: contraflow, jn 12 (A70).
M74 Strathclyde: lane closed northbound, jn 7-8.
M74 Strathclyde: northbound carriageway closed, jn 4 (M73).
M80 Central region: northbound carriageway closed, jn 9 (M9), diversions are signed.
M85 Tayside: contraflow, Friarton Bridge.
M90 Tayside: southbound carriageway closed, jn 8-9 (Arlary/[illegible] interchange).
M90 Fife: one lane northbound, jn 3-4 (Cowdenbeath/Fife).

Information compiled and supplied by AA Roadwatch

Parking policy review

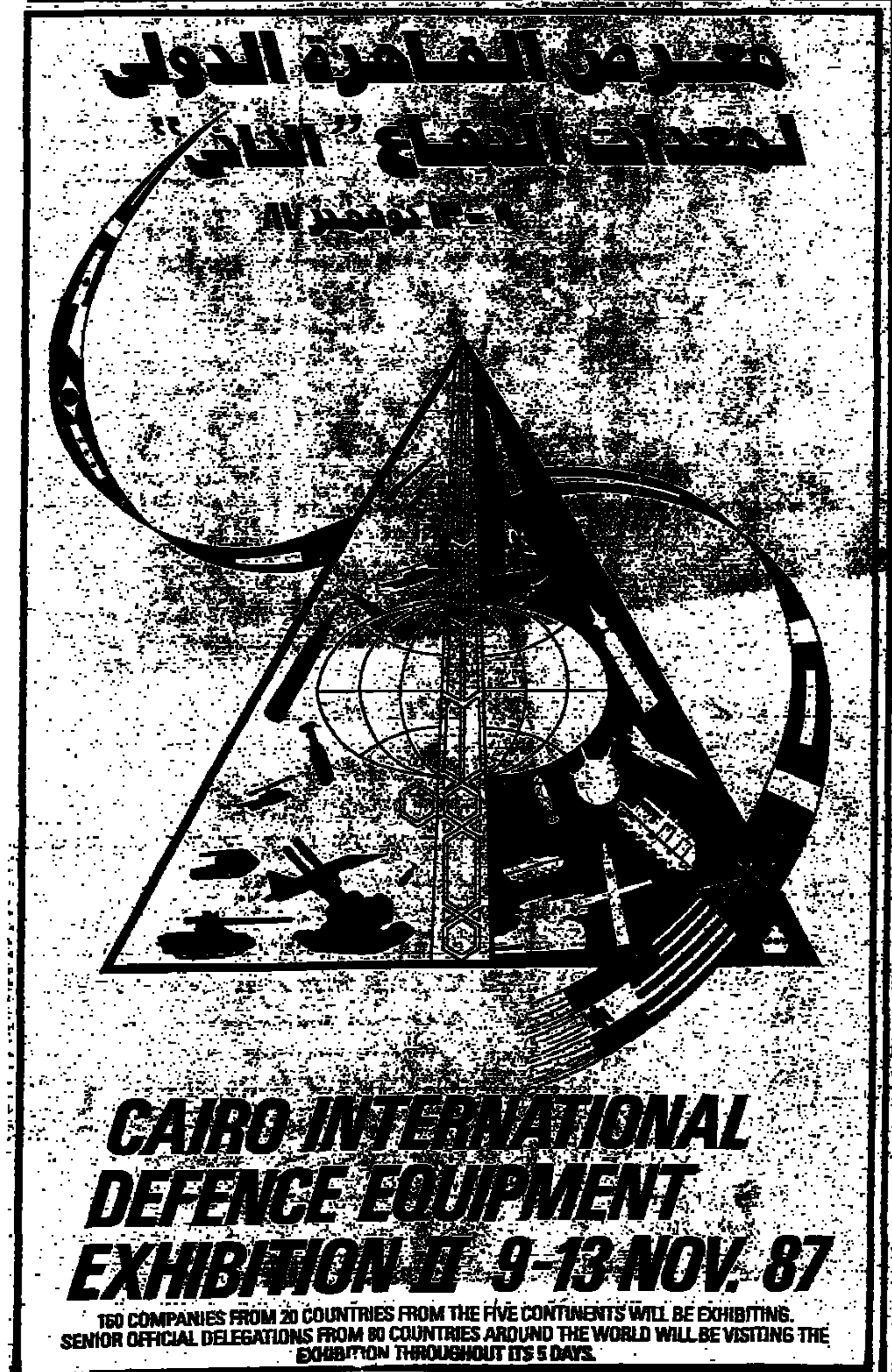
The Government is to undertake a policy review of car parking in Britain (Our Motor Industry Correspondent writes).

The 12-month study will examine wheel-clamping and fixed-penalty tickets and counter demands by local authorities to take control from the police of traffic wardens. The final report will represent a blueprint for the enforcement and control of car parking throughout the country.

The central issue of future policy will be the bid by the local authorities to gain control of local parking enforcement and revenue from fines.

Local authorities contribute to the cost of traffic wardens but have no direct control.

The Association of London Authorities hopes that it will wring concessions from the Home Office as police resistance to handing over control of traffic wardens weakens because of pressure to reduce crime.



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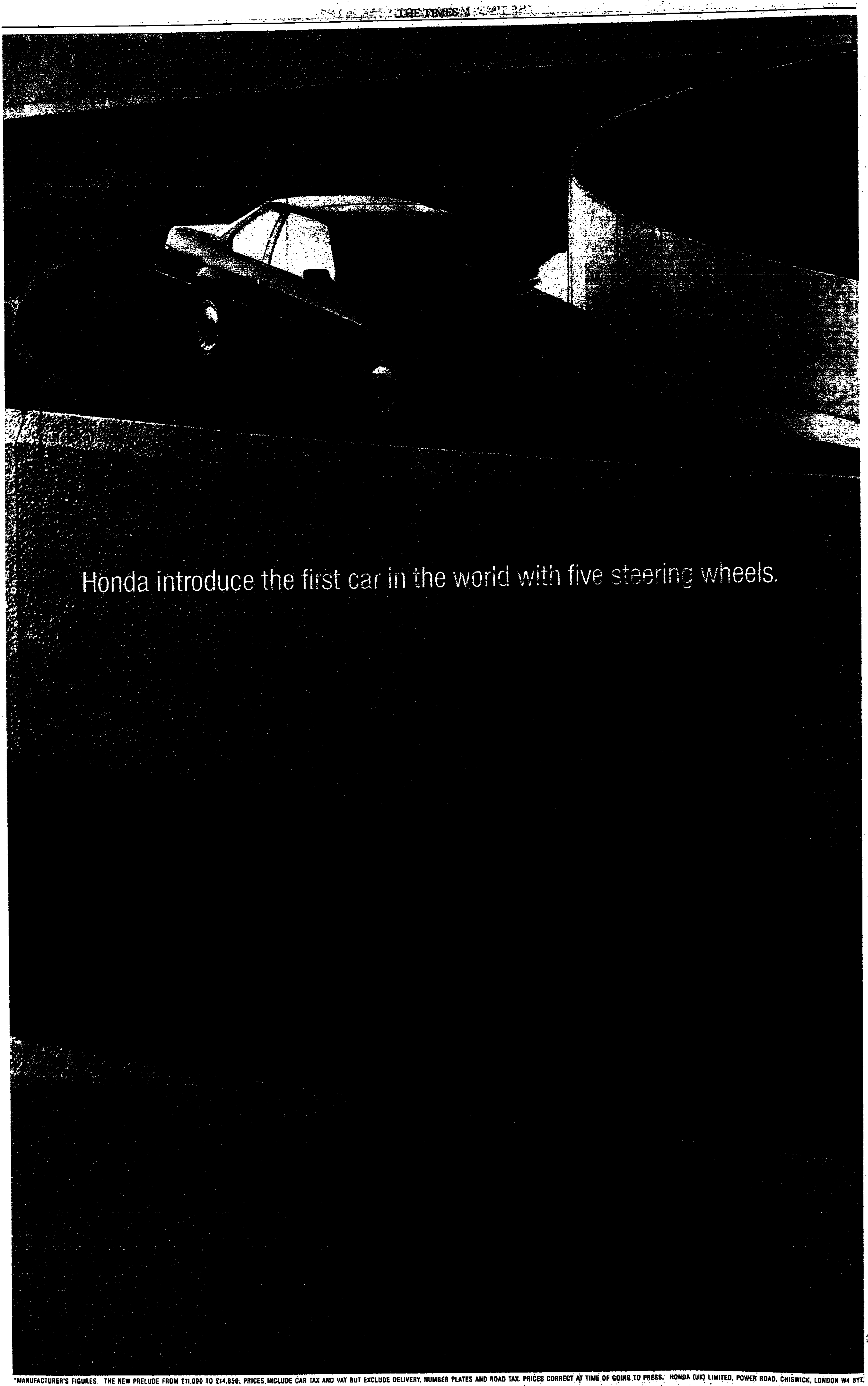
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Genuine firsts are few and far between in the motoring world.

Small wonder, then, that the new Honda Prelude 2.0i-16 has caused something of a sensation even before its official launch this month.

The reason for all the fuss is that, in a world full of cars steered by the two front wheels, Honda have developed the first car steered by all four wheels.

It may sound complex but, as the diagram shows, it's designed to make the driver's life a great deal simpler.

When the driver makes only subtle steering movements such as when driving at high speed, all four wheels turn in the same direction.

This makes the car highly responsive and vastly improves handling, particularly when changing lanes or negotiating bends.

As June's Performance Car magazine put it: "As soon as you start to drive a 4WS Prelude you notice the difference. Straight away you notice that the car responds much more quickly to steering movements. The overall feeling is of safer, more responsive handling with better roadholding."

But if the steering is impressive on the open road, it's truly extraordinary in sharp turns or really tight corners.

Here, where the driver is required to turn the steering wheel through a greater angle, the rear wheels do something quite remarkable.

As the diagram shows, they actually turn in the opposite direction to the front wheels.

This makes manoeuvering much easier.

As September's Motor magazine discovered: "...one can feel the rear wheels helping the 4WS car round the turns."

In fact, the minimum turning radius is reduced to such an extent that drivers will occasionally find themselves making U-turns where previously 3-point turns were necessary.

And, almost equally as satisfying, gliding effortlessly into even the tightest parking spaces.

Not that any great exertion is required to pull off these manoeuvres.

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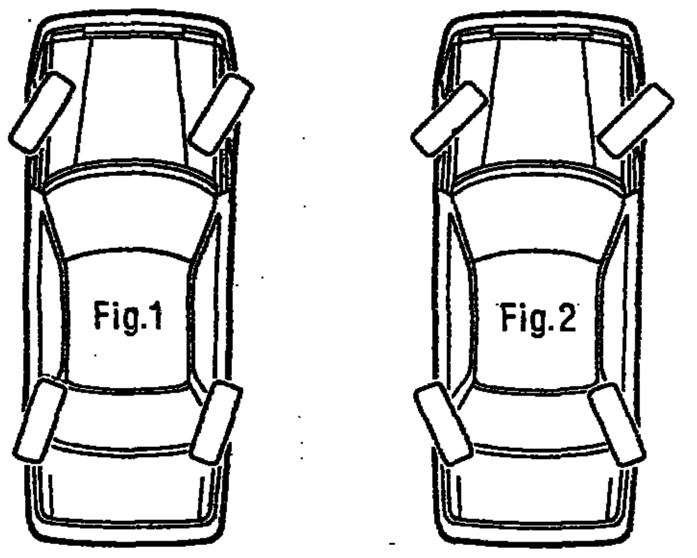
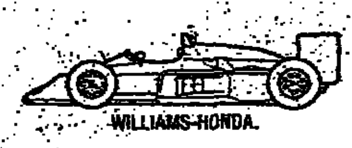
At high speed, when steering adjustments are subtle, the front wheels and rear wheels turn in the same direction.

At slower speeds, when the turns are more pronounced, the rear wheels turn in the opposite direction to the front wheels.



The angles of the front and rear wheels have been exaggerated to demonstrate more clearly how the 4WS system works.



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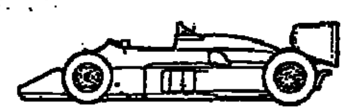

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In addition to four-wheel steering, the new Prelude comes equipped with Honda's speed-sensitive power steering.

And the combination of the two makes it arguably the most agile and responsive car in the world.

Indeed, so revolutionary is its four-wheel steering, it's easy to forget that the 1988 Prelude is an important new model in its own right.

What was always a sleek, elegant car has now been refined into a classic sports coupé that is both longer and lower than its '87 version.

To the observer, it's one of those cars that looks fast even when it's standing still.

And its looks don't deceive.

Honda have drawn on their immensely successful Formula One racing experience to develop a potent 2-litre, 16-valve engine that will propel the Prelude from 0-60 mph in under 8 seconds.*

Also born and bred on the race track was the all-round double wishbone suspension.

And Honda's new anti-lock braking system, or ALB II, gives this red-blooded sports coupé precise, powerful control during an emergency stop or when braking in slippery conditions.

Should you be interested in buying a 1988 Prelude, the range starts at £11,090, moving up to £14,100 for the four-wheel steer model (or £14,850 with automatic transmission).

It probably won't surprise you to learn that the anticipation which preceded the launch of the new Prelude has, in turn, led to considerable advance demand.

So, while we're busy singing its praises we must, in all fairness, point out that there are only a limited number immediately available.

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WORLD SUMMARY

Curfew declared in Tahiti capital

Paris – A night curfew and state of emergency have been declared on the French Polynesian island of Tahiti after rioting on Friday night during which fires were started, shops and buildings looted and cars overturned, in the capital, Papeete (*Susan MacDonald writes*). Three squadrons of mobile French gendarmerie have been rushed to the island from Paris and New Caledonia, bringing the police strength to 450. Two hundred troops from the French Foreign Legion based on Mururoa Atoll have also arrived there.

The trouble started when riot police tried to dislodge striking dock workers from Papeete's port area. The workers set fire to port installations as police used tear gas to disperse them. It is understood the dockers were joined by others, thought to belong to the local independent movement, and went on the rampage leaving a trail of destruction. Reports say the territorial assembly building and Government House were invaded before police brought the situation under control.

Campaign decision

Washington – Mrs Jeane Kirkpatrick, former US Ambassador to the UN, is expected to announce today whether she will seek the Republican presidential nomination (*Christopher Thomas writes*). One of her advisers said she had been "in a three-day vigil", making telephone calls, meeting supporters and seeking the views of advisers.

Mrs Kirkpatrick, a conservative thought to be a potential vice-president, believes that Mr Jack Kemp, the contender closest ideologically to her, is proving a disappointment to voters.

Teamsters return

Miami – The National Brotherhood of Teamsters, threatened by Government action to rid it of alleged connections to organized crime, has been taken back into the fold of American trade unionism (Alan Tomlinson writes).

The union was thrown out of the AFL-CIO, the US equivalent of the TUC, in 1957 for refusing to abide by an ethics code. Three of its presidents have been convicted of crimes and its leader, Mr Jackie Presser, is to stand trial in February on charges of embezzlement and racketeering.

Fiji rights suspended

Fiji's military Government has suspended basic civil liberties enshrined in the discarded 1970 Constitution. The move was announced in a 12th decree by Colonel Sitiveni Rabuka, who declared the South Pacific island nation a republic 18 days ago.

The decree bans industrial action by trade unions, and imposes harsh penalties for breaking state of emergency laws.

Members of the 45,000-strong security forces have been made effectively immune from prosecution, should they kill a person by force "as is reasonably justifiable". The listed circumstances include killing while arresting someone or preventing his escape; defending a person or property from violence; or suppressing a riot or insurrection.

Britons in avalanche

Kathmandu, Nepal (AP) – An avalanche killed two Britons and two of their Nepalese Sherpa guides on Mount Island in the Mount Everest region, the British Embassy said yesterday.

The avalanche swept down from the upper part of the 20,280 ft mountain and covered their tents, according to the embassy, which identified the Britons as Graham Sorby, of Yorkshire, and Rita Choltens, who lived in Bruggen, West Germany.

Porn MP banned

Jerusalem (AFP) – Cicciolina, the Italian porn star and parliamentarian, had her work permit withdrawn yesterday by the Israeli Interior Ministry here, two days after she staged a hotly debated performance.

A ministry spokesman said Signora Ilona Staller, whose stage name translates as "little cutie", had overstepped, during a show in Jaffa, the limits imposed by the work permit. Israeli press reports said she had performed scenes that could be called pornographic.

Tight temple security

Delhi – Indian police re-entered the Golden Temple complex in Amritsar on Saturday for the second time in two days to arrest some of the extremists who were reportedly sheltering inside the shrine (Kuldip Nayar writes).

Armed with automatic weapons and metal detectors, police frisked the devotees entering the complex. Even handbags and wallets were not spared. Those leaving the area were again frisked. It appears that the Government is determined to prevent regrouping of militants inside the complex.

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Blacks find comfort in homes for whites

From Michael Hornsby
Johannesburg

"I don't see why I should have to apologize for what a white man has always taken for granted – the right to live with my family in as nice a place as I can afford," said the black bank clerk. Aged 38, he had agreed to talk to me in the fifth-floor, central Johannesburg flat where he has lived illegally with his family since last April. He asked to be identified only by his first name.

In the clean and airy sitting-room, with its bare wood floor, there are two armchairs and a sofa covered in a bright chintzy material. A vase with fresh flowers stands on a low white table. A new television set in a polished-wood cabinet fills one corner. The flat also contains an adequately equipped kitchen, a hallway-cum-dining-room as yet unfurnished, a bathroom, and a bedroom with one double bed which Sandi and his wife, Patricia, share with their son, Amilca, aged two.

It is a sharp improvement on the standard brick box, sub-divided into four "rooms", with outside toilet, which the couple, both Xhosa-speaking blacks, used to occupy with six relatives in the Mlungisi black settlement outside Queenstown in the eastern Cape.

They particularly enjoy the shops and other amenities in Johannesburg which no black township can match. Cinemas have been open to all races since the end of last year, and hotels and restaurants may now also admit customers of all colours – and most do.

Sandi and Patricia decided to move to the Reef when Sandi's employer in Queenstown, the still partly British-owned Standard Bank, offered him a better job at one of its Johannesburg branches as part of a programme of training blacks for managerial positions. Sandi, who has a university degree in commerce, concedes that his monthly salary of 1,000 rands (£300) is not bad by black standards, but is sceptical about the bank's claim to be an "equal opportunities" employer. He reckons that becoming a branch manager in a black area is the highest position he can hope for.

During the turmoil in the black townships during 1985 and last year, Sandi was detained without trial for two weeks. His police interrogators accused him of working for the outlawed African National Congress, which both preaches and practises armed resistance to the Government. He says he was arrested because he was an active member of the Mlungisi residents' committee, which was formed to campaign for better amenities, such as separate toilets for each house.

The block of flats in which Sandi and his wife now live, in the Joubert Park area, has been gradually taken over by black tenants in the past couple of years in defiance of the Group Areas Act, which reserves Johannesburg, like other cities, for white residential occupation only. Before that, the block had been empty for a year or two. Much accommodation has fallen vacant in central Johannesburg, as whites depart for what they consider to be safer and more salubrious outlying suburbs. Blacks are often the only prospective tenants.

In contrast, there is a huge shortage of housing in the townships in the vicinity set aside for black, mixed-race Coloured or Indian occupation – a legacy of a government policy deliberately designed to discourage the drift of non-whites from the countryside to the cities. When Sandi first moved in, the agent used by the company owning the block of flats charged him 450 rands a month. He then discovered that he should not have been paying more than 115 rands a month, according to limits determined by the Rent Board, a government body.

Until recently, illegal black tenants felt too unsure of their position to protest against such racketeering. But since August, Sandi and scores of other tenants in the area have refused to pay more than the Rent Board amounts. A body called Action to Stop Evictions co-ordinates the campaign for fair rents, and has organized tenants' committees. It is run mainly by Indians, who were the first to move into white areas, and gets advice from liberal white lawyers.

Whether illegal black tenants are entitled to claim the board's protection is a moot point. The first cases have yet to be tested in the courts. Meanwhile, some landlords are refusing to carry out essential repairs and maintenance until the full rents demanded are paid.

It is likely that the Government will eventually allow such areas as Joubert Park and Hillbrow in Johannesburg, where thousands of blacks have settled, and comparable suburbs of Cape Town, to be re-designated as "open". But President Botha insists that in general the Group Areas Act will continue to be enforced.

The danger that whites might take the law into their own hands by forming vigilante groups to protect "threatened" areas and drive blacks out is taken seriously after riots in parks in eastern Johannesburg earlier this month, when gangs of black youths ran amok and stabbed two white men to death. Shortly after, members of an extreme right-wing organization, the White Liberation Movement, marched through Mayfair, a poor area where whites and Indians have lived together peacably but illegally for some years, shouting racist slogans. They clashed with police and three people were arrested.

Superpower arms obstacles

Gorbachov's tough line on Star Wars poses new threat to detente

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

The chances of détente between America and Russia are once again threatened by serious differences over the US Star Wars programme, which Mr Mikhail Gorbachov insists must be curbed before he agrees to meet President Reagan for a third summit.

Over the weekend Soviet officials made it plain that this would remain a strict condition for a new summit and warned of the dangers posed by Star Wars, or the Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI).

"They say flatly it will be a defensive shield, and we are convinced it will be an offence weapon," one official said. "That does not leave much room for manoeuvre."

The point was driven home by Tass, which declared in a hostile commentary on President Reagan's latest radio address: "The current Washington Administration is known to be stubbornly unwilling to abandon plans to develop a large-scale anti-missile defence system with space strike weapons to become its central element."

The officials insisted there has been no change of heart by the Soviet side, claiming that from the very first Geneva summit in November, 1985 Mr Gorbachov had made clear that his price for sweeping nuclear arms cuts was a US commitment to restrict SDI.

However, Western observers here claim to have noted a stiffening of Mr Gorbachov's resolve on SDI, and an increase in his reluctance to attend a Washington summit, since his return from a prolonged holiday late last month.

There are two schools of thought which explain the abrupt cooling of Moscow's tone at the end of last week. Some observers believe that hawks in Moscow's defence establishment urged Mr Gorbachov to stand his ground on SDI after the Pentagon announced, in the wake of September's agreement in principle on a medium-range missile pact, that Star Wars research and development was being stepped up.

"At a time when his domestic reforms are facing widespread resistance inside the Communist Party, Mr Gorbachov could not afford to alienate his generals," one senior diplomat explained.

Other observers think that raising expectations and then dashing them – allegedly at the fault of the other side – is a classic ploy of Soviet diplomacy, refined under Mr Gorbachov to a fine art.

Soviet officials simply insist that it was naive of the American side to assume that the link between Star Wars and cuts in strategic missiles could be dropped.

"We have said all along that we would have an adequate response to SDI that would cost us far less than the programme will cost the US," one source said. "It is quite clear that the key element of that response will be a build-up of our strategic strike capacity. So how can we agree to cut it while the US pushes ahead with SDI?"

Even before Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State, held his crucial four-hour meeting with Mr Gorbachov, a Kremlin spokesman was hinting that Moscow was convinced a medium and shorter-range missile treaty could be both finalized and signed without a summit.

Although US and Soviet officials believe that the treaty can be attained this year, diplomats have voiced concern that the sudden loss of momentum in Soviet-US ties, caused by the failure of the Shultz visit, could endanger it.

● **BRUSSELS:** Nato allies closed ranks at the weekend, declaring that a Euro-missile deal is still within grasp despite Mr Gorbachov's last-minute decision to back away from a summit meeting and redirect attention to Star Wars (Richard Owen writes).

But after a briefing for Nato foreign ministers by Mr Shultz on his Moscow talks, several European officials interpreted Mr Gorbachov's change of heart as a sign that the Soviet leader believed Washington was more eager for a deal than Moscow. The Soviet leader was putting pressure on Mr Reagan to gain concessions over Star Wars, sources said.

European foreign ministers meet again today and tomorrow at The Hague for the autumn session of the Western European Union. The prospects for an INF deal removing cruise and Pershing 2 missiles from Western Europe dominate the agenda, together with a proposed charter for European defence.

Mr Shultz reassured the European allies that, despite the setback over a superpower summit, a Euro-missiles deal was "quite clearly in prospect" and "other things are falling into place as well".

Mr Shultz's final message – "steady as she goes" – was echoed by Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, who spoke of the need for "cool heads and steady nerves" in Nato in response to Mr Gorbachov's manoeuvre.

Award-winning Duke

The Duke of Edinburgh, right, talking with members of Colorado Outward Bound near Denver during a climbing demonstration at the weekend.

The Duke visited the city for a banquet at which he accepted the adventure organization's highest award.

The Queen, meanwhile, ended her official two-week visit to Canada on Saturday in Quebec and flew back to London on board a Canadian Air Force jet (AFP reports).

Her tour, which started with the Commonwealth meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia, on October 9, also included Saskatchewan and Quebec provinces.

The three-day visit to Quebec, the first since 1964 when francophone separatists staged violent demonstrations, was generally peaceful, although a few dozen demonstrators welcomed her with shouts of "Quebec is for the quebecois, the Queen is for the English".

Riot police move in on Albanian agitators

From Dessa Trevisan
Belgrade

Anti-riot police have been urgently drafted into the Kosovo region of Yugoslavia to deal with any explosion of violence that might follow continuing demands for a separate Albanian state.

Albanian separatists and Serbian nationalists have both been very active in the region. Early last week thousands of Serbs staged marches in protest against a remark made by Mr Fadilj Hoxha, the former vice president and colleague of the late President Tito, that cases of rape in the region would be reduced if Serbian women took to prostitution. At the weekend Mr Hoxha was ousted from the Communist Party for allegedly supporting Albanian separatism.

Six more former high functionaries of the region were also expelled from the party with seven more awaiting political explusion. The men are all linked with past demands for Kosovo separatism, which sparked Albanian riots.

There are 1,700,000 Albanians living in the region, and the Serbian population constitutes little more than 10 per cent.

Several thousand Albanians have been imprisoned for alleged subversive activities even within the armed forces, and Admiral Branko Mamula, the Defence Secretary, has disclosed that over 1,000 have been brought to trial.

Resentment of the Albanian activities has fuelled Serbian nationalism and played a part in the power struggle within the Serbian Communist Party, bringing to the fore the hard line faction of Mr Slobodan Milosevic.

Admiral Mamula recently warned that the situation was rapidly getting out of control.

Tehran's threat to Kuwait

Arabs pressed to bring Cairo back into the fold

By Andrew McEwen
Diplomatic Correspondent

Arab leaders, faced with the threat of a major Iranian attack on Kuwait, are under growing pressure to bring Egypt back into the mainstream of Middle East diplomacy. A flurry of diplomatic moves is under way before the 21-nation Arab League summit, to be held in Amman on November 8.

Egypt's membership was suspended in 1979 as a result of the late President Anwar Sadat's decision to make peace with Israel. But fears that the Iran-Iraq war may spill over into Kuwait, then Saudi Arabia, have prompted a change of attitude. The Arab world's most populous state, which has the region's largest armed forces, is now being viewed as a vital asset.

The new mood was reflected yesterday when President Gemayel of Lebanon held a two-hour meeting in Cairo with President Mubarak of Egypt. The meeting was officially acknowledged implying a wish to draw Cairo back into the fold.

Egypt's absence from the League is seen as one of three main obstacles to Arab unity – the others being disputes between Iraq and Syria and between the Palestine Liberation Organization and Syria.

President Mubarak of Egypt, left, greeting President Gemayel of Lebanon yesterday at Cairo airport during a surprise stopover on his way to the United Arab Emirates.

The quest for Arab unity has been sharpened by three missile attacks on Kuwait in 10 days, one of which knocked out its main oil exporting installation.

The bomb explosion at the Kuwait office of Pan American on Saturday, thought to be the work of Iranian sympathizers, also fuelled fears of a full-scale Iranian onslaught.

The Gulf states are showing increased willingness to assist Eygpt with its foreign debt burden. Ministers from Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates met President Mubarak last week and a proposal to invite Egypt to share in the defence of the Gulf was discussed at a meeting of the Gulf Co-operation Council in Riyadh.

Foreign ministers of the six GCC nations also heard a call from Saudi Arabia yesterday for the UN Security Council to impose sanctions against Iran.

President Hussein of Iraq and President Assad of Syria are expected to attend the summit. King Husain, who brought about a secret meeting between them earlier this year, is expected to continue his efforts to achieve a reconciliation.

Their dispute centres on Syria's close links with Iran and differences between rival wings of the Ba'ath party in the two capitals.

A third obstacle to Arab unity, the dispute between the PLO and Syria, may also be the object of fence-mending efforts at the summit. Four years after the Syrian-backed rebellion against the PLO chairman, Mr Yasser Arafat, there is a chance of the organization renewing ties with Damascus.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, is to meet both President Mubarak and King Husain before the summit.

● **NICOSIA:** Tehran radio warned yesterday that anti-American attacks, such as Saturday's bomb blast at the Pan Am office in Kuwait, might recur (Reuter reports). "What happened yesterday can be cause for concern for American statesmen as it was directed against a US company and especially because it is not unlikely that such acts of protest are repeated in Kuwait or its neighbouring countries,"

● **CAIRO:** Egypt is ready to help Gulf states which feel threatened by the Iran-Iraq war (Ian Murray writes). But sources here made it clear yesterday that there was no question of sending Egyptian troops abroad.

US ready to impose wide-ranging curbs on trade with Iran

From Christopher Thomas
Washington

President Reagan is expected to sign an executive order soon which will impose comprehensive restrictions on trade with Iran, including a total ban on the import of Iranian oil.

The move, in response to Iranian attacks on American targets in the Gulf, is expected to exclude the export of medical supplies to Iran but will otherwise be almost total, according to senior Administration officials.

The President could sign the order within days. He has been under intense congressional pressure for months to take tough action, in particular to ban Iranian oil imports. The mood has hardened sharply since July, when new figures revealed that Iran had become the second largest supplier of crude oil to the US.

Iran has been trying to buy $40 million of oil field equipment from US companies to replace machinery damaged by Iraqi air attacks. The purchases would certainly be prohibited under a US trade ban.

The recent Iranian missile attack on a US-flagged ship off Kuwait made comprehensive economic action against Iran almost inevitable.

Imports of Iranian crude oil last July totalled 19.6 million barrels, worth $359 million to the US. But it is far from clear, because of the way the international market is structured, how effective a ban would be in keeping Iranian oil out of the US. Economic sanctions imposed last year on Libya, which were targeted mainly at Libyan oil, appear to have had little practical impact.

Mr Caspar Weinberger, the US Defence Secretary, has long favoured an oil embargo against Iran. Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State, has taken the same view since the increase in Iranian hostilities against American targets in the Gulf.

In testimony to Congress Mr Weinberger said the US and its allies may send more military forces to the Gulf and declared that US forces would not be reduced substantially until the Iran-Iraq war ends.

He recently told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that US forces would respond to requests for help from any ship that was attacked in the Gulf, but refused to give further details. Pentagon officials said he was referring to "humanitarian" assistance, not military support.

Spy scandal taints Chirac

Paris – A secretary attached to the office of the French Prime Minister, M Jacques Chirac, has passed confidential documents to her Iranian lover, it has been revealed (Susan MacDonald writes).

The secretary has been named as Maryse Villard, aged 44. Her lover, Mr Muhammad Hansari, is said to have worked with an Iranian oil company in West Germany and to have seduced more than one secretary in a key post in Paris.

Details of what actually went on, and who revealed the scandal and why, are scant.

Contrary to many French spy scandals, which start in a blaze of publicity and speculation and gradually fizzle out, the gullibility of a secretary inside the Prime Minister's office is obviously something the Government has tried to keep secret, all the more so as it affects fragile links with Iran.

The Prime Minister's office has confirmed that a secretary, who was employed in the diplomatic section when M Chirac took office in March 1986, became the subject of an inquiry after three weeks.

The French press states that she started work in the diplomatic section in April, 1986. She was arrested in June when Customs found a confidential document – said to concern the Iran-Iraq war – in her luggage. She was charged with divulging the contents of secret documents "without the intention to commit treason or to spy".

A month later, apparently, she was released from prison, but has since been reimprisoned.

Trouble in the US South

Exit a fast-talking governor

From Charles Bremner, New York

Governor Edwin Edwards of Louisiana, a high-living "bad boy", stunned the state yesterday when he pulled out of a tough campaign for re-election after taking second place in the first-round vote.

The 60-year-old lawyer, known as the "fastest mouth in the South", announced in a tearful farewell that he was giving up the fight to keep the job he has held for all but four of the past 17 years in the easy-going, partly French-speaking, state.

Mr Edwards, who gives up his mansion in Baton Rouge to a congressman and fellow Democrat, Mr Charles "Buddy" Roemer, aged 44, is the most colourful and controversial of three state governors in the Southern sun belt now in dire political trouble, or worse.

Across Louisiana's eastern border in Florida, the state's first Hispanic governor, Mr Bob Martinez, has won the ridicule of his voters for changing his mind "more often than Scarlett O'Hara changes bows", as a local editorial put it.

And westwards in Arizona, Governor Evan Mecham, a right-wing eccentric who has become the butt of national cartoonists, moved closer to being thrown out of office this weekend when local prosecutors announced that he was under investigation on suspicion of selling favours in return for campaign contributions.

Even by Louisiana's relaxed standards of public ethics, the silver-haired Governor Edwards is a larger-than-life figure, who relishes his reputation as a womanizer. He had been investigated by 10 grand juries before one indicted him on bribery and racketeering charges in 1985. A first trial ended with a hung jury and the second with acquittal.

Mr Roemer, who campaigned as a Mr Clean, won the first round of the election and would have stood against Mr Edwards in a run-off in November. He inherits a state that is only just recovering from the economic slump that hit the oil-producing South earlier this decade.

Economics are at the heart of the Florida governor's troubles. Mr Martinez, a Republican who was elected last November, has alienated most of the electorate and many of his own party officials with a string of blunders.

The biggest by far has involved his moves to impose and then repeal a sweeping service tax. After vowing to cut $800 million from the state budget before election, the former high-school teacher swiftly moved to create a heavy tax on services such as accountancy and advertising. After a ferocious campaign by local business interests, backed by public protests, he reversed himself, but has been unable to have the tax law repealed by the legislature.

In Arizona the governor's day of reckoning is far closer. Mr Evan Mecham, a Republican also elected last November, faces the near-certainty of a new campaign early next year after a third of a million voters in his state signed petitions demanding his recall for incompetence.

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Chinese convention begins with a call to promote younger leaders

Zhao attacks top-level party corruption

Peking (Reuter) — China's Communist Party opened its five-yearly congress yesterday with an attack on corruption among senior officials and a call for the next generation of leaders to be promoted.

Mr Deng Xiaoping, aged 83, the paramount leader, entered the vast Great Hall of the People to applause from nearly 2,000 delegates, and presided over the opening ceremony.

Centre place on the rostrum was ceded to Mr Zhao Ziyang, the Prime Minister, who is at the age of 69 is a relatively young protégé of Mr Deng. He is widely expected to be picked as the next head of the 46-million-member party.

"There are major defects in our system of leadership," Mr Zhao conceded in a speech that criticized internal party weaknesses and seemed calculated to provide fresh impetus to Mr Deng's controversial reform programme.

13th PARTY CONGRESS

Dressed in a dark blue Western-style suit, Mr Zhao delivered a long, wide-ranging speech that included attacks on corruption and excessive bureaucracy.

"What the people complain a lot about now is that a small number of party members, particularly leading cadres, have abused their power for private gains at the expense of the people's interest," Mr Zhao said.

He called on the party to have the courage to promote younger officials. "In our efforts to promote younger cadres to leading posts, we should now focus on members of the central leading bodies. We propose that this congress take a big step forward in this respect," Mr Zhao said.

China's new leadership is expected to be announced after the congress ends next Sunday. Mr Zhao provided no specific clues to Mr Deng's plans for the next leadership line-up. Mr Deng has told visiting dignitaries of his wish to semi-retire.

The congress is the most open for more than 30 years. Journalists were allowed to listen to Mr Zhao's speech which lasted about two-and-a-half hours, and the proceedings were broadcast live on television.

Subsequent debates on Mr Zhao's address will take place behind closed doors.

Mr Zhao said the party's main defects were caused by "over-concentration of power, a serious degree of bureaucratism, and feudal influences that are far from eliminated".

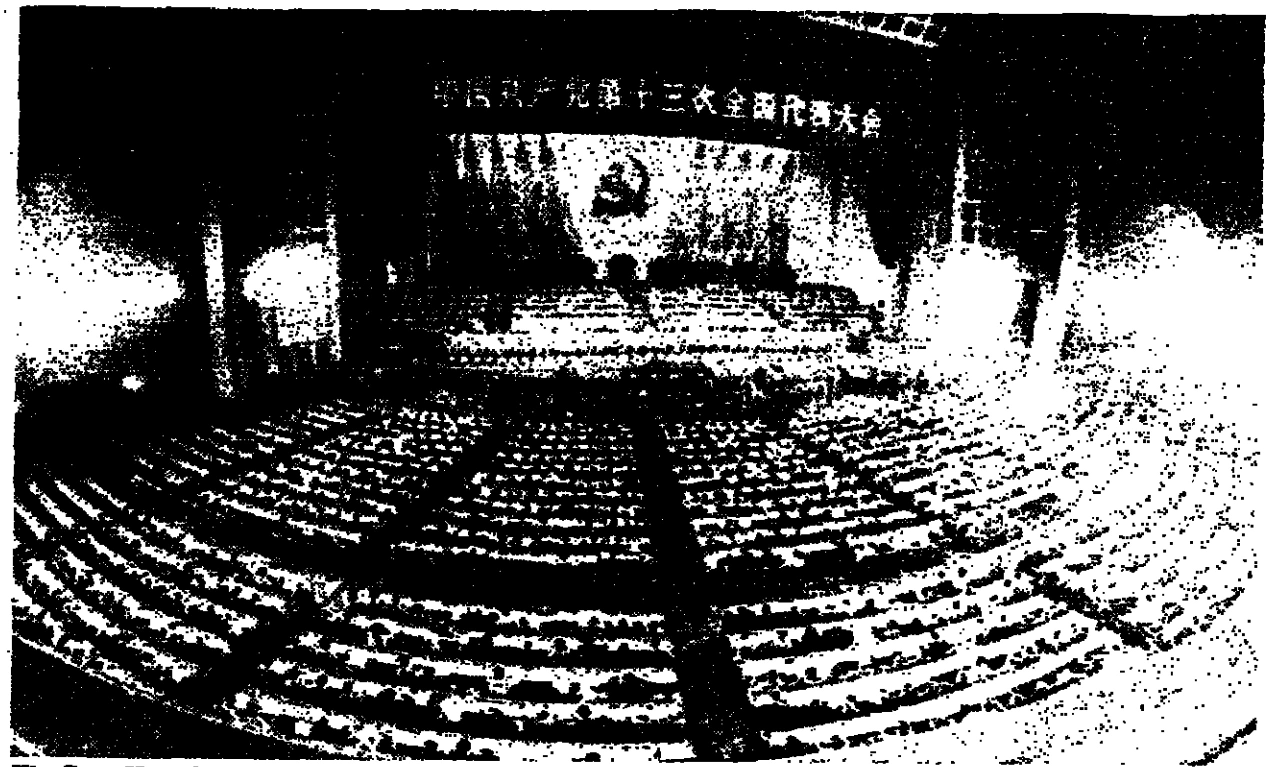
His speech balanced criticism of "leftists" held responsible for Mao's 1966 to 1976 Cultural Revolution, now officially branded as disastrous, and "rightists" who advocated excessive use of capitalism and were guilty of "bourgeois liberalism".

Mr Zhao was made acting party leader last January when Mr Hu Yaobang was forced to resign in disgrace after nationwide pro-democracy student demonstrations.

One Western diplomat saw the speech as balancing interests of conservative and liberal factions but on the whole encouraging for Mr Deng's reformers.

Mr Zhao did not mention Tibet, where up to 19 people died in pro-independence rioting on October 1, but he said it was imperative to improve the regional autonomy of minority nationalities and devote great effort to training officials.

Mr Zhao gave a ringing endorsement of the last nine years of economic reforms and China's opening to the outside world. "Cooperative, individual, and private sectors of the economy in both urban and rural areas should all be encouraged to expand," Mr Zhao said. "We should protect the legitimate interests of foreign investors and improve the investment environment for foreign businessmen."



The Great Hall of the People, the scene of the congress which began yesterday in Peking. Party members heard Mr Zhao Ziyang, the Prime Minister, say the party suffered from a concentration of power in a few hands and "feudal influences".

Fanfare for a peek behind the curtain

From Mary Dejevesky, Peking

Earlier congresses came and went with only the extra police, the empty streets and the fleets of official cars to intimate that they were happening. Officials declined all comment. Silence was the rule until afterwards. Then, the airwaves and the news stands were saturated with "unanimous decisions" and "epoch-making" news which had been made days or weeks before behind closed doors.

Yesterday, a flourish of trumpets and an efficient, if soulless, rendition of *The Internationale* proclaimed the opening of the 13th Congress of the Communist Party of China. In the hall were nearly 2,000 Chinese communists and 300 journalists, many from abroad. Beyond was potentially the largest live television audience in the world.

The Great Hall of the People is a monument to Chinese-Soviet gigantism. Several halls in one, with tea-tables set for hundreds on the galleries and small armies of ushers in waiting, there was space for the 2,000 delegates and many more.

They, and we, in separate channels, filed past shy but good-humoured guards, through the airport-style security checks and up into the Great Hall. A red-curtained backdrop showed a vast hammer and sickle; a banner above the platform announced the 13th National Party Congress.

At 8.45 the first bell heralded the arrival of the Congress Presidium — 200 of the most influential men and women in China. Just before nine, Mr Deng Xiaoping walked on to the platform to applause, small, tanned and spry. He was followed, haltingly, by Mr Li Xiannian, the state President, and then came Mr Chen Yun, still more painstakingly and groping for his chair. An old rival of Mr Deng's, he looked frail, but — as he refused assistance — stubborn still.

More fragile grey eminences were helped to their seats by youthful assistants in purple jackets. They handled their charges like priceless treasures they were frightened of damaging.

A minute's silence in memory of the fathers of communist China, and Mr Zhao Ziyang began his three-hour report. He read firmly but with little expression, the flow punctuated 58 times by the rustle of 2,000 turning pages. The dignitaries had tea poured for them, and hot towels brought to refresh them. After 90 minutes Mr Chen hobbled carefully from the platform.

At the beginning, it had been possible to sense something of the tradition which still binds today's young Chinese to the veterans of the Long March, and something of the idealism which sent the young radicals of the West to sit at Mao's feet in the caves of Yanan.

But, as the delegates dispersed into the sunshine for their lunch-break, there was time to reflect on who really rules China. Is it Mr Deng, the revered old man, or is he just the mascot the younger leaders need to justify their power?

Do those 200 grey and Mao-suited on the platform, and those 2,000 delegates, let alone the other 45 million members of the Chinese Communist Party, have any influence at all?

The answers were as hard to divine yesterday as at earlier party congresses. But this time the outside world was at least let in for a while to see.

Vow to eradicate dishonesty and safeguard rights

Some of the key passages of the address by Mr Zhao Ziyang, the acting leader of the Chinese Communist Party, to the congress:

CORRUPTION

This is a grave problem which we must . . . tackle in real earnest . . .

In the past few years, there have been frequent cases among certain party members of tax evasion, smuggling and trafficking in smuggled goods, bribery, extortion, embezzlement and theft, moral degradation, breaking the law while in charge of executing it, divulging state secrets and economic information, violating discipline in their dealings with foreigners, appointing people by favouritism and vindictively attacking others.

We certainly must not change our policies of reform and opening to the outside world just because of those few cases of corruption . . .

HUMAN RIGHTS

Since from time to time the rights of the masses are encroached upon, we should enact laws governing the press, publication, association, assembly and procession, and establish a people's appeals system to guarantee citizens' rights and freedoms . . .

THE 'OPEN DOOR'

We must adhere to the open policy . . . No country can possibly advance behind closed doors.

Closing one's country to external contact results only in increasing backwardness . . .

In the future, we should enter the world economic arena more boldly, decide on correct strategies for export and import and the use of foreign funds . . .

Efforts should be made to improve the laws governing business relations with foreigners, implement the preferential policy and to improve the investment environment so as to enable foreign businessmen to run enterprises in China according to international practice and to attract more foreign investment . . .

THE ECONOMY

The central task of the current Congress is to accelerate and deepen the reform . . .

Some of the things we have introduced in the process of reform, such as expanded markets for means of production, funds, technology and labour service and the issuing of stocks and bonds, are phenomena which are not peculiar to capitalism . . . Socialism can and should make use of them, trying in the meantime to minimize their negative effects in practice . . .

The purpose of reform is to better develop the productive forces and to take full advantage of the superiority of socialism. In other words, we shall catch up with the developed capitalist countries economically, and politically we shall create a democracy that is of a higher level and more effective than the democracy of those countries. We also aim at producing more and better trained professionals than they do . . .

PRIVATE SECTOR

Co-operative, individual and private sectors of the economy should all be encouraged to expand . . . Practice has proved that a certain degree of development of the private sector promotes production, stimulates the market, provides employment opportunities and helps in many ways to meet people's needs.

MARXISM

Civilization is advancing very rapidly, new vistas are opening before the working class . . . All this requires Marxists to widen their vision, develop new concepts and enter a new realm.

Last-ditch battle for Jaffna

Indians say Tamil rebels are cornered

From Michael Hamlyn, Colombo

Fighting continued in the northern Sri Lankan town of Jaffna yesterday as the Indian peacekeeping force battled Tamil guerrillas who were holed up in the university campus. But by last night an Indian official was able to claim that they controlled all of Jaffna "with the exception of a small area around the Point Pedro — Navalar Road crossing".

An Indian official of the External Affairs Ministry in Delhi said that the troops had now broken the cohesiveness of the rebel Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, and organized resistance had been considerably reduced.

At the Nallur temple, the Indians halted their advance to try to persuade civilians taking refuge there to leave and allow the hunt for guerrillas to continue. A report by United News of India suggested that the troops had not entered the temple because the Tigers were holding 18 Indian prisoners hostage there.

The Indians claimed a victory when they announced that one of the Tigers' leaders had been killed. He was known as Santosan, and nicknamed "Master", because he had worked as a schoolteacher. He was one of eight key leaders of the movement that the Sri Lankans say must be eliminated if the Tiger defiance is to end.

The Indians seemed prepared to institutionalize their control by flying in civil servants "to perform the task of looking after the requirements of the local population in the matter of civil administration".

Meanwhile, a bomb blast in the Indian Deputy High Commission in the hill town of Kandy has been variously blamed on Sinhalese and Tamil extremists. No-one was hurt in the explosion but there was extensive damage.

Meanwhile, the Indian peacekeeping force is facing a growing number of allegations that its soldiers have been deliberately killing civilians and raping Tamil women.

It is plain that these allegations form a natural part of a Tiger disinformation campaign, and they are circulated among the international press by a telex distribution network operated from London.

But it is difficult to dismiss the number of women and children, badly hurt by alleged Indian shells and bullets, in local hospitals, in addition to women prepared to testify on oath that they were raped by Indian soldiers.

In Sathurkondan village, for example, five miles north of Batticaloa in the Eastern province, five women have sworn affidavits about their attackers. Three of the women, aged 16, 18, and 35, are still in hospital. A joint inquiry by the Indian Army and the local citizens' committee has been started.

In Point Pedro hospital in Sri Lanka's northernmost town, reporters accompanied by Tamil Tiger guerrillas spoke to patients. One patient, Mrs M Kanageswary, aged 28, said: "The Indian soldiers just walked into my house. They shot my mother, shot my father and then shot me. My father died on the spot. Our house wasn't the only one chosen by the soldiers. I don't know why they came to my house."

Similar allegations were made when commandos landed at Jaffna university. One report spoke of 40 civilians being shot.

There was another incident on Friday when an Indian patrol was ambushed by Tamil guerrillas. According to local reports, 14 people were killed and shops and houses set on fire by the Indians after the ambush. The Indians admit killing three men.

Civilians in this densely populated area are inevitably getting in the path of bullets and shells. The Tigers appear to have been keen to have civilians about them to conceal themselves and temper the firing of the attacking force.

But if the allegations begin to stick, then the Indians will quickly lose the support they claim to have of the local population.

● **MADRAS:** Police arrested 3,400 people yesterday across India's Tamil Nadu state protesting against Indian Army action against Tamil rebels in Sri Lanka (AFP reports).

Snipers fight on grimly to control dusty streets

From Our Own Correspondent, Jaffna

Tall plumes of brick-tinted smoke rose above the University of Jaffna as Indian artillery blasted the last and the most heavily defended redoubts of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam.

Across the north of the town, billows of grey smoke poured from fires burning close to the Nallur Temple, where earlier 40,000 refugees were sheltering.

From the old Dutch fort, the rattle of small-arms fire and the heavy thump of mortar or the more open blast of a rocket pinpointed the battle for control of the northern quarter of Jaffna.

This northernmost district capital of Sri Lanka has been undergoing a battle for control of its narrow, dusty streets for more than a fortnight. The Tigers have lost, but they are refusing to give up.

"Personally, I think the main groups have slipped away to fight another day," confided a Sri Lankan officer, watching his Indian colleagues struggle with an enemy his own army was simply not capable of tackling on its own ground. "Maybe they have left behind a few delaying groups."

The Indian Army commanders agree that the task of clearing the rebels, who are still fighting to establish an independent Tamil state in the north and east of the country, has taken longer than they expected.

Brigadier Manjit Singh, a grizzled Sikh who led the western advance into Jaffna from Manipay and who was at the head of the Rajputana Rifles when they linked up with the garrison of the fort, agreed that they had found the going much tougher than anticipated.

"They were stopping us at every place, and we lost a whole lot of men," he said. "They look a motivated lot, but their skills are not good."

As a few sniper shots rang out, he said: "Listen to them firing. They are firing blindly. They can't see us, they are just hoping to frighten us."

"What surprised us was not the quality of their resistance, or the strength of their fighting ability, or the quantities of their arms," said Major-General Amarjit Singh Kalkat, a Gurkha officer and Chief of Operations for Southern Command, whose commanding general is in overall charge of the Sri Lankan endeavour. "What surprised us was their vicious attitude."

General Kalkat read out messages intercepted from radio links between Tiger commanders. One commander warned another that Indian troops were climbing a fence ahead of him and urged him to defend himself: "If you send children in front, they will stop firing there," the message said.

At Navatkuli, which two weeks ago was the launch pad for an advance into the east of the town and is now an army headquarters, the general displayed a huge armoury of Claymore mines. These are curved cans of explosive packed with nails, ball bearings and iron filings.

"We see a lot of victims of these Claymores," said Dr Antoine Crouan, from the French Médecins Sans Frontières, who man a civilian hospital in the north of the Jaffna peninsula. "They a blow a hole in your leg like this," he said, joining the tips of his fingers and his thumbs to make a grapefruit-sized 'O'. "If they get one in the chest, they don't bring them in. They die."

Typhoon havoc

A father clutching his two children and accompanied by his wife wading through flooded streets in eastern Taipei yesterday after evacuating their home in the aftermath of Typhoon Lynn, which left at least 26 people dead and eight missing in Taiwan at the weekend.

Television news bulletins put the toll as high as 32 dead and 10 missing in two days of torrential rain, tidal waves and flooding (AFP reports). Taipei recorded its highest rainfall in a single day in 90 years.

A landslide early yesterday at Sanchi, 21 miles from the capital, buried three houses and about 14 people, police said, adding that 10 bodies had been recovered. Rescuers have also recovered the bodies of five schoolchildren swept away by waves in southern Taiwan on Friday. Four others are missing.

Hundreds of houses were destroyed and nearly 4,000 families affected as the typhoon also lashed Luzon Island in the Philippines, official reports there said.

The Red Cross said 1,405 families were either left homeless or were sitting on their roofs in Abra province. In the coastal province of Ilocos Sur, about 1,200 families were affected, and more than 1,000 families suffered in Ilocos Norte province, the Red Cross said.

Threat to rebels in Uganda

Ibanga, Uganda (Reuter) — Hundreds of Ugandan troops have been seen marching towards a rebel camp in what an army commander hinted could be a major attack against the followers of a voodoo priestess trying to overthrow the Government with faith, stones and sticks.

Witnesses said several hundred troops of the Government's National Resistance Army were spotted only nine miles from the camp of the prophetess, Alice Lakwena, and her 2,500 followers.

The poorly armed rebels believe vegetable oil smeared on their bodies protects them from bullets.

News clamp

Jerusalem (AFP) — Military authorities on the Israel-occupied West Bank ordered the closure of the Palestinian press agency in Nablus for two years, a military spokesman said.

Six killed

Delhi (AFP) — Tribal secessionist guerrillas shot and killed six settlers in north-eastern India's Tripura state, the Press Trust of India reported.

Flights off

Rome (Reuter) — The Italian state airline Alitalia has cancelled almost all flights today because of a planned 24-hour pilots' strike.

Tourists die

Caracas (AFP) — Five West German tourists died when the jet that was flying them over the Salto Angel waterfall in Venezuela crashed into a mountain.

Twins appeal

San Salvador (AP) — Doctors have appealed for international help to send two newborn girl Siamese twins to the US for an operation to separate them.

Poll date

Brussels (Reuter) — The Belgian Prime Minister, Mr Wilfried Martens, says he expects a general election to be held on December 13.

Prague raids

Vienna (Reuter) — Czechoslovakian police have raided the Prague homes of three members of the Charter 77 human rights movement and seized hundreds of papers and other items, émigré sources said.

Nato protest

Madrid (Reuter) — Thousands of demonstrators staged peaceful protests in cities throughout Spain demanding the removal of US military bases and Madrid's withdrawal from Nato.

Violence taints Korean election race

From Gavin Bell
Seoul

A noxious mixture of tear gas, petrol bombs and rotten eggs has begun to permeate South Korea's presidential election campaign, provoking calls for tighter security at political rallies.

Radical students who campaigned against the authoritarian regime of President Chun Doo Hwan last summer appear to be having difficulty adapting to the democracy they fought to achieve.

The main target of their violent dissent has been Mr Roh Tae Woo, the ruling Democratic Justice Party (DJP) candidate and President Chun's personal choice for the December election.

After being pelted with eggs in Kwangju last week, he fared even worse in his home town, Taegu, on Saturday. The former army general's conversion to civilian democracy clearly failed to convince local students, who hurled Molotov cocktails — one of which exploded a few yards from him — at his motorcade.

Mr Roh Tae Woo: the main target of student dissent.

Protesters clashed with riot police elsewhere in the south-eastern city, and 69 were later "helping police with their inquiries".

The violence spread to Seoul yesterday, shortly after a rally was addressed by the two opposition leaders, Mr Kim Dae Jung and Mr Kim Young Sam. So far the latter has been drawing the larger crowds, but on the campus of Korea University Mr Kim Dae Jung, the veteran dissident campaigner, was on home ground. The students acclaimed him, thronged after him in defiance of a ban on street marches and inevitably became involved in a brief but intense engagement with police.

At least 30 were arrested before volleys of tear gas restored a semblance of order. Mr Kim Dae Jung had left the scene only moments earlier.

So far the violence has been sporadic and limited to a small core of militants, but it has been enough to bring rumbles of discontent from the ruling party. A DJP executive meeting at the weekend blamed the National Coalition for a Democratic Constitution, a disparate union of dissident groups, and urged the Government to crack down on the disruption before it gets out of hand.

The next stage in dismantling authoritarian rule comes tomorrow, with a referendum on a new draft constitution incorporating wide-ranging democratic reforms.

Having gained almost unanimous support in Parliament, its public approval should be a foregone conclusion.

Tomorrow has been declared a public holiday, and the authorities have been urging the electorate on radio and television to do their civic duty before setting out for walking and fishing.

Tunnel wizardry woos Paris

From Philip Jacobson, Paris

With less than a month to go before the public on both sides of the Channel is offered shares in the Eurotunnel project, French investors are being wooed by a £3 million television advertising campaign straight out of Hollywood.

Not for them the polite invitation to consider buying a stake in the scheme which is all that British law permits. The flurry of short and punchy TV "spots" that will be running over the next few weeks combine futuristic special effects with a ringing appeal to participate in a "giant step" that will be ranked with the achievements of Julius Caesar, Leonardo da Vinci and Ferdinand de Lesseps, the French genius behind the Suez Canal.

It is stirring stuff, delivered with all the high-tech wizardry of John Dykstra, the man who did the special effects for *Star Wars*. But then, the French have always been able to get far more excited than the British about the project.

Even in the aftermath of a massive slump in share prices here, those responsible for the flotation on the Paris bourse seem confident about shifting their £300 million slice of the offer.

The dominant image of Mr Dykstra's films is of a shiny silver coin, spinning in an ever-changing blur of colour and movement. On closer examination, this turns out to be an Ecu, the common currency unit of the EEC, created here to symbolize what they call the "European character and financial **appeal" of the undertaking.**

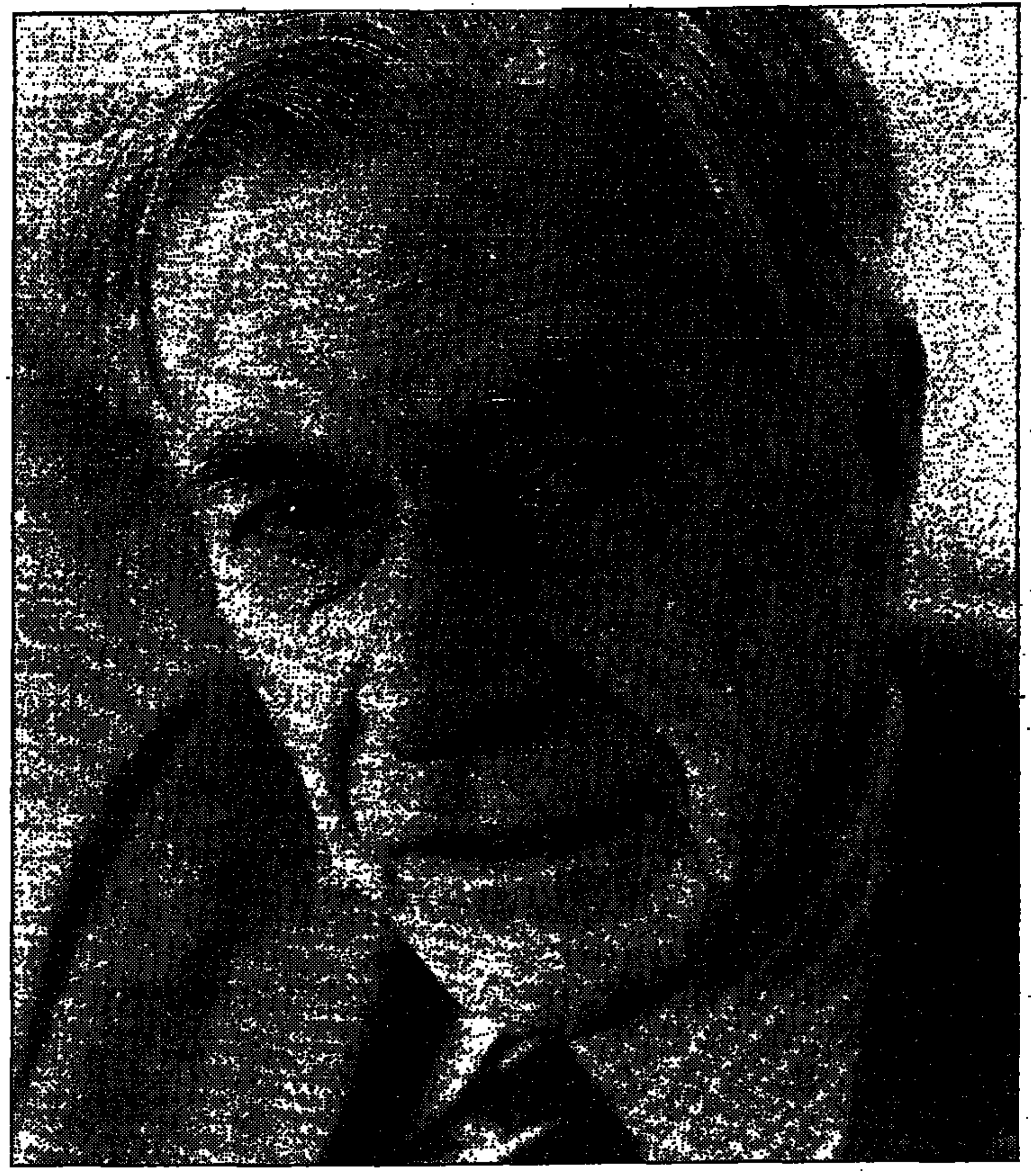
The French publicity campaign also has earmarked £4 million for press advertising. These will concentrate on the rather more sober, technological aspects of the tunnel project.

The French, it seems, are more easily thrilled than are the British by visions of two sets of huge boring machines — not unlike some of those gigantic creations in *Star Wars* — roaring and grinding their way towards each other and that final celebratory handshake (tentatively set for 1993) beneath La Manche.

● **Cliff meeting:** Next Monday, M Jacques Douffiagues, the French Minister of Transport, is to meet his opposite number, Mr Paul Channon, at the starting point of the English tunnel beneath **Shakespeare cliff in Dover.**

The seer who saw it coming

In an age of uncertainty, one thing is certain: Professor John Kenneth Galbraith, author of the classic work on the 1929 Wall Street crash, foresaw last week's collapse nine months ago, and wrote about it. Has the great debunker of monetarism been right all along? Bryan Appleyard found him in a mood of amused scepticism, tinged with just a little smugness


Mark Pepper

Galbraith: "I am linked with the old liberal orthodoxy. But I don't regard myself as a representative"

Professor John Kenneth Galbraith, economist, aged 79, is a star again.

"Have I been rung up? Good God! On one day last week I was called twice by the *New York Times*, once by the *Boston Globe*, once by the *Boston Herald*, once by the *Washington Post*, once by the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, once by the *Miami Herald*, once by the *Denver Post*, once by the *Los Angeles Times*, twice by the *Wall Street Journal*, twice by French newspapers, once by a journal in Norway of all places, twice by newspapers in Japan whose names I could not understand . . ."

The Crash of '87 came at a good time for Galbraith. Apart from his classic analytical work, *The Great Crash: Economics and the Art of Controversy*, anatomizing the Crash of '29, there was also an article in the *Atlantic Monthly* of January in which he predicted the big shake-out. Last week on Wall Street the first was sold out and everybody was digging the second out of the files. The old pundit is not one to deny himself a brief, smug wallow.

"I had the feeling I was not being neglected and, on the whole, I must tell you that I enjoyed it. Of course, if I had been called about an article of mine that was egregiously wrong then it would not have been so pleasant."

For the eight years of Thatcherism and Reaganomics, Galbraith has been an outcast. He is an old-style Eastern Seaboard Wet, a pillar of the liberal establishment. He held high office — controlling prices — in Roosevelt's wartime administration. He wrote Adlai Stevenson's speeches in the Fifties and he was a campaign manager for Kennedy. That last role won him his one big political post as ambassador to India. It was a job, he estimates, which occupied him for about one hour a day and which gave him the chance to write his one novel under the pseudonym Mark Epernay. He stayed with Lyndon Johnson, writing speeches, until they parted company over Vietnam. Galbraith thought the war was crazy.

He could have run for the Senate twice — in Massachusetts and Vermont — but he put his writing and his academic life at Harvard first. There have been regular forays into public life. But he is mainly known for the stream of elegant volumes he has issued from his seclusion at "the other Cambridge" and for the odd piece of dissident journalism — all debunking the mythology of the Right and of monetarism in the grand tones of New England irony.

He was in London over the weekend, getting some sleep at the Ritz before moving on to Italy to give a lecture — "I can't go to the bathroom without giving a lecture." Kitty, his wife of 50 years, was shopping at Marks & Spencer when we met in his room to talk about his latest book: *A History of Economics: The Past as the Present*.

But, before that, there was his familiar analysis of the week's events: too much speculative money chasing profit without any sense of the underlying value — "the pure speculative situation, it always comes to an end". As in 1929, "the euphoria of self-conceit" had created the feeling among the young market cowboys that their genius could beat the market.

On economics

'It is a continuing interpretation of current circumstance'

"Financial memory," he explains, "from one period of sophisticated stupidity to the next is about 10 to 15 years. There was a long period of caution after the last crash, then we were into the so-called go-go years, Bernie Cornfeld and the offshore funds, the Equity Funding Corporation and so on. Any new generation getting rich has a vested interest in euphoria."

The style of the Galbraith analysis and of his *History* is one of faintly weary, amused scepticism. Economics, he says, is not a science, it is "a continuing interpretation of current circumstance". All its useful propositions can be stated in "clear, unembellished and generally agreeable English" and the classic tradition that stretches *from Adam Smith to Milton* Friedman has been sustained by the self-interest of the dominant, wealthy class. Indeed all economic history, including Galbraith himself, has been the expression of vested interest.

"I no doubt reflect the vested interest of the economic, academic community of which I have always been a member. That is something that should be examined by other people. But I would like to think that, having explored this subject, I am warned against being too obscene in its defence . . .

"There's no question that I am linked with the old liberal orthodoxy. *But I don't regard myself as* a representative — God forbid! I try to reflect the changing circumstances of the community as a whole as against those who act and vote for a particular affluent or corporate *interest*. I would not suggest for a moment that the old liberal-left position is fixed. We've discovered over the years that we have an administrative problem in the welfare state — a bureaucratic tendency which we did not foresee.

"Also the old liberal position on taxation on consumer spending has changed. Now that spending has extended to a large number of frivolous *items, taxation does not* deny people the essentials of their living standards. The left has also discovered that the question of public ownership can no longer be decided by general rule. It is pragmatic. In some places the market obviously doesn't work — in health care and low-cost housing."

But he has moved little on the ideas of his Fifties book *The Affluent Society*. Economic growth can produce private affluence and public squalor. It can produce fine homes and television sets but filthy and run-down streets. "The standard of living of a professor in Cambridge, England, is higher *than that of a Harvard professor*. His earnings may be much lower but the public environment in Cambridge or London is on the whole much better than New York."

As for the apparent success of Thatcherism, he says it is not so in the Midlands and Scotland. "One of the great facts of our time is that we have found policies both in the United States and Britain that are regionally good, helpful for a particular class interest, that leave parts of the country and large groups of people outside. In the US we've never had a time when the rich were happier — until last Monday . . ."

A question addressed to Galbraith is not a starting point for a discussion, it is a trigger for a cool, lengthy series of paragraphs in his best grandiloquent, Yankee Dandy style. He delivers deadpan *jokes and well-prepared irony* with a grey-eyed gaze that is steady but watery. His immense height — 6ft 8in — has been modified by a slight stoop and his hearing is poor. A huge hand repeatedly massages the face and he looks, at moments, terribly tired. But the ego is intact (last week, indeed, it blossomed), as is the calm certainty that nothing is certain. For him the real crime of the crashed yuppies is the same as that of the economic forecasters he excoriates in his book: "The most common qualification of the economic forecaster is not in knowing but in not knowing that he does not know."

For the future he has been working with a Russian economist on a soon-to-be-published set of proposals on East-West cooperation and development. He has also been studying the subject of arms control. But on the question of posterity he is suitably modest. He does say he would rather be remembered as a writer than as an economist "or anything as dreary as that" and he has, in fact, just stepped down as the first ever economist president of the American Academy of Arts and Letters. But he dismisses as presumptuous the idea that he should compare himself with a great figure of the past, and the only epitaph he can think of is: "He was still alert at ninety."

As for religion, his childhood in Canada made him immune. "I was born into the Covenanted Baptist Church, sometimes called the Hard Shell Baptists, and that provided me with a thoroughgoing inoculation against church-going."

Galbraithianism will not, in any case, die with him. His three sons are in positions of some power: Alan is a big criminal lawyer, Peter a professional staff member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and James a professor of economics at Texas University.

On the crash

'Any new generation getting rich has a vested interest in euphoria'

Meanwhile the old man himself will continue to fire his broadsides — "I have never been enormously attracted by the idea of escape into anonymity" — but he will also indulge in some backward looks at his great days at the heart of government. "A week ago I was at a marvellous reunion of old friends with whom I have been associated over the years. Some went back as far as Roosevelt But I think I'm the only one left who had a major post in that administration . . . a sobering thought. Of course, my association with the Reagan administration is not negligible. It is zero." He beams in satisfaction at the delivery of his concluding word-play and observes happily that the red light on his Ritz phone is lit. Somebody has been ringing him.

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● A History of Economics: The Past as the Present *is published on Thursday by Hamish Hamilton (£14.95).*

Is this the face of Joseph?

Long after Joseph's adventures with his Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, the Bible tells us that he had the satisfaction of seeing his brothers come cringing before him, begging for corn to save them from starvation in the famine he had foreseen.

Rubbing in the change in their circumstances, he boasted of how God had made him a ruler throughout Egypt, Master of the Royal Horse, and "a father to Pharaoh".

The Hebrew chronicler of the Joseph story shows in many details that he had knowledge of Egyptian life and customs. Possibly he knew about the Egypt of his own day; possibly the details had been handed down by word of mouth since Joseph's time. The phrase "father to Pharaoh" has the ring of an Egyptian title but in fact the exact formula appears only to have been used once.

Joseph, of the coat of many colours, may have been an Egyptian vizier — and mummified

This was found in one of the most enigmatic of all the sumptuous tombs in the Valley of the Kings. The phrase is used a score of times among the titles of Yuya, grand vizier to two successive pharaohs, Tuthmosis IV and Amenhotep *III*, 3,400 years ago, in the period which archaeologists usually associate with the Jewish people's stay in Egypt. Yuya, like Joseph, was Master of the Royal Horse and bore the king's ring and perhaps his necklace as signs of his office.

Yuya was a remarkable man. He seems to have risen to his high office without being a member by birth of the country's ruling class. From the trouble the scribes had in transcribing his name into hieroglyphics in his tomb-inscriptions, it seems likely that he was a foreigner. His mummy, now in the Cairo Museum, survives in an almost uncannily good state of preservation and suggests he was an individual of exceptional authority and force.

The Bible says Joseph was embalmed in the Egyptian manner and four years ago Ahmed Osman, an Egyptian living in London, drew an exceedingly tempting inference: perhaps Yuya and the Biblical Yu-Seph were both the same person. Already a scholar in Egyptian history, and familiar both with hieroglyphics and Hebrew, Osman investigates the evidence in a book just published.

The book contains other theories for which the evidence is more tenuous, but the Yuya/Joseph identification is the most intriguing as well as the most substantial. If it gained acceptance, it would have profound effects on Biblical scholarship.

The most tantalizing of all questions in this field is whether the God proclaimed by Moses as a universal creator and lawgiver, jealous of rivals, had any connection with the God — apparently the first ever conceived as an essentially monotheistic deity — who was proclaimed by the heretic pharaoh, Akhnaten, not more than 150 years before Moses's presumed lifetime. Many writers have been intrigued by the resemblance. The Osman theory would make the connection closer than anyone ever suspected. It is clear from Egyptian records that Yuya was not merely a royal servant who arrived from nowhere. He was the father of one of the most remarkable female figures in Egyptian history — Tiye, who became Queen to one Pharaoh in defiance of dynastic convention, and mother or grandmother to several more, including both Akhnaten and Tutankhamun.

If Yuya were Joseph and had his head full of memories of the God who had such a perplexing relationship with Abraham and Jacob back in the old Canaan days, the possibility opens up of a two-way flow of influence, from Israel to Egypt, and from Egypt to Israel.

"As a young child, Akhnaten might have sat with *his grandfather* and heard these stories — and maybe Yuya told the boy of his origins because that was the seed he wanted to leave," says Osman, aged 53, a mild teacher of Arabic.

"Yuya's mummy and tomb have not been closely examined since they were first discovered in 1905. If they could be studied with modern resources in the light of this possibility, some new evidence might emerge."

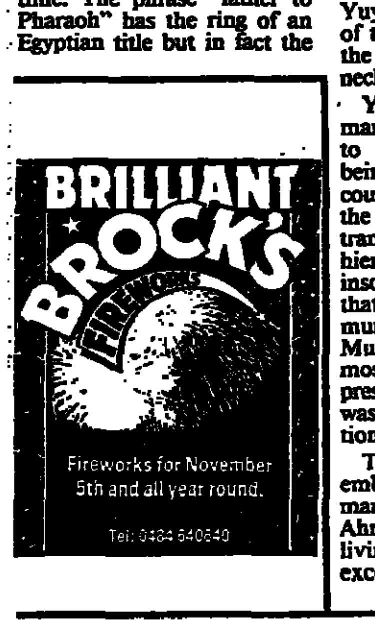
There are difficulties. Perhaps the most awkward is that it is clear from inscriptions in the tomb that Yuya, in some sense, accepted the old Egyptian religion. Thoth and Anubis stand guard on his sarcophagus.

The mists of history are so dense that it will probably never be possible to prove the theory with much certainty. But it is a beguiling possibility. It would open up a startlingly close affinity between Aten and Yahweh and it would mean that the haughty, contemplative face of the man in the coffin is that of one of the founding fathers of three of the great religions of the world — Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

George Hill

● Stranger in the Valley of the Kings, *by Ahmed Osman, is published by Souvenir Press at £15.95.*

Mummy, and father of three religions: could Yuya be Joseph?



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Flying up a storm

Gazing across the tarmac at a set of sleek new Boeings waiting to fly 5,000 miles from Heathrow across the Atlantic, you may have trouble telling them apart from the giant Boeing 747 "jumbos" parked nearby.

That is, until you count the engines. For more and more of the aircraft flying between Europe and America now have just two engines.

Until about three years ago, it was unheard of for commercial jets to cross the Atlantic without at least three, or preferably four, engines. Safety bodies ruled that they must stay within range of an alternative airport if one engine had to be shut down, and this virtually ruled out all twin-engined operations.

Dramatic improvements in both the power of the engines and in their reliability, however, meant that it was suddenly possible to stretch the limits of their use.

The Israeli airline El Al set the pattern and began flying its big new twin-engined jets backwards and forwards across the "pond", to be closely followed by other, mainly American, airlines.

But European airlines, especially British Airways and Lufthansa, have so far shunned the use of the aircraft such as the Boeing 767, saying they are not convinced that twin-engined jets are reliable enough for long-haul flights.

Not only are the new *Boeings* about *50* per cent cheaper to operate, but their spacious and quiet interiors have proved enormously popular with passengers.

Six airlines now fly daily across the Atlantic from Britain on only two engines. They have achieved an astonishing 99.83 per cent reliability rate.

Twin-engined jets are *finding* favour across the Atlantic — but BA still doubts their safety

Under existing legislation, twin-engined jets are allowed to fly routes which are no more than two hours' flying time from the nearest diversion airfield. The American Federal Aviation Administration plans to increase this to three hours, enabling the new Boeings to operate across the Pacific as well.

The Boeing 767 can fly for up to 6,600 miles in its extended range version and carry up to 290 passengers. It is particularly valuable on routes which may not sustain a full 747 passenger load.

TWA, which began flying across the Atlantic with 767s in February 1986, says it had "no hesitation" in using the aircraft.

"The 767 is tremendously popular, both with the pilots and the passengers," said Mr Stephen Heckscher, TWA's representative in Europe. "The aircraft are full on almost every flight. We have never had an engine problem across the Atlantic, and they are cheaper to operate. We cannot understand the worries some *airlines* have about them."

Boeing plans to "stretch" the existing 767 by increasing passenger capacity to 300 seats and fitting even more *powerful Rolls Royce engines* by 1989. Once the new engines have proved their reliability and efficiency, BA, Lufthansa and others may be forced to adopt the twin-engined policy their American counterparts have set in train.

Harvey Elliott

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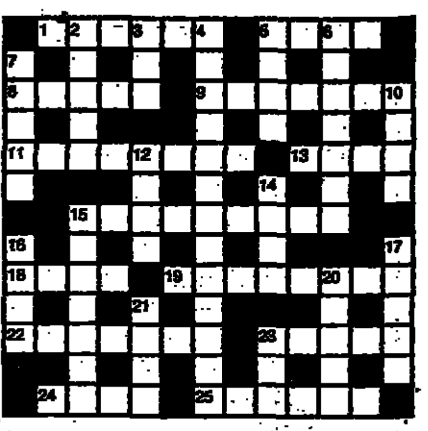

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Is an "amicable" divorce as desirable as it sounds? **Victoria McKee** takes the measure of matrimonial law – and lawyers

Working hard for your divorce

Divorce is now so prevalent in the United States, where every second marriage is destined to dissolve, that in California they refer to marriage as the "pre-divorce period". Even staid London lawyers make puns about the increase in "anti-" (as in ante) nuptial agreements and Peter Grose-Hodge, an eminent British divorce solicitor, makes no secret of his belief that "the law has made divorce the finest career a woman can have".

This and other views were aired this month when the International Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers converged on London. The IAML, an offshoot of the elite American Academy, was launched here last year in recognition of the complexities of a growth industry which transcends national boundaries.

The impact of child abuse, abduction and surrogacy on family law were high on the agenda, as were the two most significant causes of changes in divorce around the world — the belated recognition of a man's potential to play the primary parent and the emerging role of women as breadwinners.

Peter Holm met with as much sympathy in the US for his £50,000 a month maintenance claim against Joan Collins as the MP John Browne did in Britain last year when he appeared willing to allow his former wife Elizabeth to be sent to prison if she did not pay what the courts had awarded him. But "male-imony", or maintenance for the ex-husband, is catching on, even if "palimony" for the live-in female partner is not. And with so many two-career families around these days, many courts have abandoned the "tender years" directive which assumed that young children were automatically better off with their mothers, says Dr Philip Schwartz, one of the founding members of the International Academy.

As the average uncoupling couple haggles over the stereo and the school fees, they read almost daily of dazzling celebrity settlements. It has been predicted that Lady Halpern, a magistrate who originally trained as a PE teacher, might receive £2 million for walking away from her philandering husband.

A decade ago — light years in terms of superstar salaries — Bianca Jagger, received a reported £500,000 to £1.25 million for her seven-year marriage to Rolling Stone Mick — plus custody and care of their daughter Jade. The judgement was made in London but she had already spent an estimated £30,000 fighting to have her case heard in California, with Marvin Mitchelson as her lawyer, where it was felt she would receive a more generous settlement.

Bianca Jagger wanted to pursue her 1979 case against Mick in California, hoping for a more generous settlement. London's Appeal Court rejected that option, ordering her to pay the £30,000 costs of the appeal. Later she won a divorce settlement estimated at between £500,000 and £1.25 million.

Sir Ralph and Lady Halpern announced last month that they had agreed to divorce. Lady Halpern said that after living apart for some time, it "would be a sensible thing to go ahead and get a divorce". Her eventual settlement has been predicted at £2 million, which is twice her husband's annual salary.

The general feeling among the IAML is that the Mitchelsons and their celebrity clients are publicity-seekers while serious money and the solicitors acting for it shun such exposure. These settlements are negotiated behind closed doors by corporate and tax law specialists like many of the members of the IAML. With contested divorces costing anywhere between £10,000 and £25,000, it makes sense to settle out of court if you can.

"There are fashions in divorce," Peter Grose-Hodge says. "At the moment, in this country, it's clean break. They'll go off that in a month or two, of course. Years ago they went overboard for the Mesher order which meant that the wife stayed in the house until the children were 18, when it was sold and the proceeds divided. They discovered that this was a time bomb so it's not at all popular now."

Peter Grose-Hodge says: "Some of my clients take great care not to live any more than four months in one country and have four different houses so that no one country can say they are permanent residents and tax them; where they should be divorced can be a very difficult question."

That sort of person may also resort to JR-like tactics to tie up assets if divorce is imminent, so that he or she cannot fall into the matrimonial property pot. Peter Grose-Hodge is sympathetic: "I know it's about the most unpopular thing I could say, but it's an unpalatable fact that looking after a house and children, per se, is easy, menial and boring. So why should doing that for 20 years entitle a woman to half of a fortune that she hasn't got one tenth of the wit, industry or education to earn for herself?"

Feminists may fume, but many lawyers believe that taking business interests into account produces wildly inflated divorce settlements. France, notable for its high proportion of women judges in matrimonial cases, is considered a haven for husbands: able-bodied ex-wives are encouraged to go out to work and are awarded minimal maintenance.

The Middle East is undoubtedly a man's world in which a divorced woman can lose her children and her good name forever. The Germans have a reputation for seeing that their high percentage of *hausfraus* are properly supported, and that the all-important state pension rights are equitably divided. In Sweden if you have no young children you can walk into a court and obtain an instant, no-claims, no-mess, no-fuss divorce.

In the US each of the states is a divorce law unto itself. Child abduction and accusations of child abuse were turning divorce into a war until states voluntarily agreed to co-operate with uniform marriage, divorce and child custody guidelines. Whether such a system might be instituted internationally to close some of the loopholes is one of the points the IAML is debating.

Matrimonial lawyers from all countries cite a resistance among judges to award support which amounts to more than a judge's salary: "They simply cannot comprehend anyone needing more than they earn!" Schwartz feels that many judges are uncomfortable with divorce trials: "They just aren't trained to deal with the emotional overlay."

Grose-Hodge believes that the new idea of "no-fault" divorce is "a delicious bit of English hypocrisy". He says: "They had this great reforming crusade that said: 'Away with the concept of fault' — adultery, desertion, cruelty, all that unpalatable, prurient nonsense. The only ground for divorce from this day on is that the marriage has irretrievably broken down. Hooray! How liberal, how far-thinking.

"And then people like me said: 'Excuse me a minute, how do you tell if a marriage has broken down?' Do I just walk in and say my marriage has irretrievably broken down — give me a divorce?' Ah . . . no divorce on demand. We're not having that. So they say: 'You'll be able to tell the marriage has broken down if you can prove one of these — adultery, cruelty, desertion etc!'"

Perhaps the most sensible reform of the divorce laws would be what was suggested (but so far rejected) in Alaska: to make the marriage licence itself renewable. In the meantime divorces continue to cause misery to millions, make millions for a few and maintain top international divorce lawyers in the style to which they have obviously become accustomed.

Smooth operator at the top

Ringing the changes in Italy's biggest telephone company has earned Marisa Bellisario the reputation of iron lady

She has a Buzby-coloured, spiky hairstyle, and you can't help wondering if it's like that because she has been tearing it out. As the chief executive of Italy's nationalized telecommunications industry, Marisa Bellisario has a seriously frustrating job.

The first four times I tried to telephone her Milan headquarters, the number was engaged. Fifth time lucky. When her corporate communications manager called me back, the operator cut the connection before she put me through. From Geneva, where she was attending an international telecommunications conference, Signora Bellisario was cut off in mid-flow. Anyway the line was terrible.

At her home in Turin we talked as if we were in adjoining rooms. Such are the vagaries of the telephone system. "I do become crazy when it doesn't work," she admitted. "We have terrible problems with the network in Italy, the same as in other countries."

In stark contrast to the difficulties engendered by our ugly vandalized phone boxes, the £122,000-a-year boss of Italy's biggest telephone company has to overcome the headaches of her country's beautiful heritage.

"Because we have a lot of monuments here, when you work in the street it takes a very long time. We have some nice new products with wonderful technology we can't put into place until the wiring is changed and this is only being done when the equipment is obsolete. However, I predict that by the year 2000 we will have all electronic equipment installed. The problem then will be compatibility between one country's system and another's. Just as it is with computers, they have to be able to work together."

Working together is an essential the woman dubbed "Italy's iron lady" understands more than most. She took over state-owned Italtel as managing director and chief executive in 1981 when most observers were describing it as a corporate calamity. Vastly overmanned, losing 10 million lire (more than £4,500) per employee a year and with financial liabilities totalling 700 billion lire (about £321 million), its terminal symptoms threatened an almost total exclusion of new technology.

On call: 'La Bella' Bellisario

The unions had adopted the ostrich position, as popular in Italy as it was in Britain a few years ago. "La Bella", as the popular press call her, changed all that simply by introducing openness, a concept since claimed by Gorbachov. "The company was like a building without windows. I had to open it up to the world," she said. With what she calls her "transparent" policy — telling everyone in the company everything — she managed to slough off one third of the workforce without a strike and turned the company's telephone-number losses into a profit of 75 billion lire (about £33.5 million).

Coyly described as in her late forties, Marisa is the only female chief executive in the world in the tough and highly competitive telecommunications business. Her management style is a mixture of sexy charm and expertise. She has a degree in economics and cut her commercial teeth at Olivetti in Italy and the US. She has made even Italian tycoons, a notoriously chauvinist bunch in the board room, reluctantly admit she is stunning in more ways than one. At the centre of a fierce merger battle, she diplomatically refuses to discuss the imbroglio, but today will address the Women of the Year lunch at the Savoy in aid of the Greater London Fund for the Blind on the theme of the event: survival.

One of her own survival secrets is to retreat at weekends with her husband, a professor of applied mathematics, their four dogs and four cats. They have no children. He didn't want any and she agreed. "My husband loves me but he doesn't like the pressure I am under sometimes. But he understands," she said. "I have much work and much travelling to do. Women do not come into this industry because they have not taken an engineering degree but we are encouraging them now by giving them on-site training. It is a very exciting business with infinite possibilities and there is abolutely nothing intrinsically about being a woman that should prevent her from mastering it."

In Britain she is introducing a sexy black telephone for the bedroom, which she has romantically christened Nocturne. With typical Italian devotion to style, she commissioned designer Georgio Armani to come up with something exciting. "It doesn't ring. It has a green light which blinks so you don't disturb your partner. And it is very solid, not like the models you can buy now which are so flimsy they fall on the floor the whole time. It is also very attractive. I think users will like the lines." Just as long they don't get crossed.

Heather Kirby

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TALKBACK

From Alison Davis,
Stileham Bank,
Milborne St Andrew,
Blandford Forum, Dorset

Your article on the British Pregnancy Advisory Service and the 20th anniversary of the Abortion Act (October 1) is interesting if only for its inconsistencies. If the BPAS really did not want to see viable foetuses aborted it would back David Alton's Bill to reduce the time limit for abortions. The fact that it is not doing so shows that it is prepared to sanction the killing of such foetuses, particularly if they are handicapped.

Compassion for one group of vulnerable people — in this case unhappily pregnant women — should not blind us to the rights and needs of those still more vulnerable — the unborn. The fact of a handicap does not alter the status of the baby as a living human being worthy of respect.

I was born with spina bifida, one of the disabilities now amenable to pre-natal diagnosis. Babies with my degree of defect are generally aborted now or "allowed to die" (such a comfortable euphemism for sedation and starvation after birth), and most people seem to regard this as a technological advance. If pre-natal discrimination were practised on the grounds of race or sex there would be an outcry. Why is the fate of the handicapped today being praised as a medical triumph rather than condemned as a eugenic holocaust?

From Mrs D C Murdoch,
West Woods, Crewe
Road South, Edinburgh

I feel that Julia Orange paints too bleak a picture of having twin children (Is more really merrier? October 19). I have four children, twin daughters of six years old, a son of four and a daughter who is nearly two. Of course there are practical difficulties, particularly in the first three years, and indeed complex emotional ones, too, as time goes on. But it is above all a tremendously exciting, fascinating, rare and special privilege.

From Andrew Sutton,
Director, The Foundation for
Conductive Education,
University of Birmingham

Your correspondent is to be congratulated for his excellent report (October 1) on Conductive Education at the Petö Institute in Budapest, for defining so well the essence of the system which restates the long-term rehabilitation of the motor disordered as a matter of learning and education rather than of health.

Unfortunately, a couple of errors crept in which might mislead. First, conductive education services more than just "some forms of spina bifida". It includes children suffering from cerebral palsy and adults with Parkinson's disease and strokes. Second, your report implied that some 40 to 50 per cent of motor disordered children are unsuitable for conductive education. In fact, it is some 15 to 20 per cent who prove incapable.

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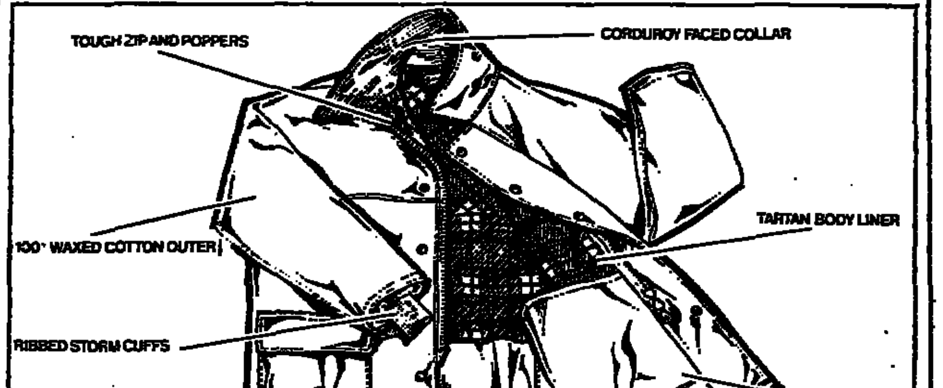

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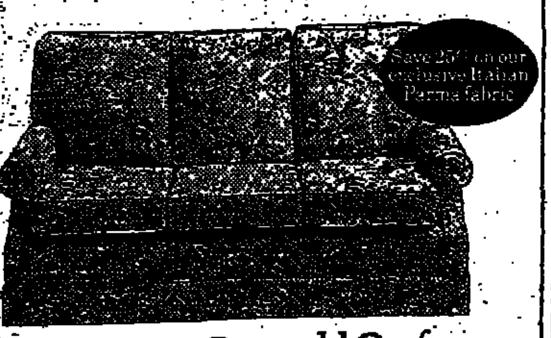

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To woo the woopies

PENNY PERRICK

The rats are leaving the sinking Yuppy before you can say "Dow Jones index". Out go Filofaxes, Cellnets and BMWs. In come heat-pads and foot-massagers. For the manufacturing industry's new darling is the Woopie (a well-off old person), someone who has survived the recent stockmarket fracas with the utmost serenity since his, or her, money is unadventurously in National Savings Certificates or even in a sock under the mattress.

I am not sure that Clairol has got the Woopie market correctly analysed in launching two products called Heatwrap and Footspa. All the Woopies I know are not into do-it-yourself remedies for aching backs or swollen feet. They prefer a cosy morning in the doctor's surgery, reading *Punch* and chatting about their ailments and coming away with a prescription for an antibiotic.

Woopies have never taken to electric hair-rollers either, timesaving and efficient though they may be, since in their view a hairdo is what you go to the hairdresser for.

In fact, Woopies distrust gadgetry of every kind, thinking correctly that the more time you spend slaving over the Magimix, the less time you will have to go to old-tyme dancing classes or plan your next cruise. The first thing to establish about Woopies is that they will go anywhere as long as it's out. Home-centredness was a Yuppy phenomenon; hence the bedrooms with the his-and-her computer terminals.

Entrepreneurial types should now be buying up bankrupt wine-bars and emporiums that sell chromium-plated pedal-bins and turning them into tea shops where the emphasis is on table-cloths with lazy-daisy stitch embroidery, Eccles cakes and Marmite sandwiches.

Woopies turn up their nose at the concept of an expensive capsule wardrobe. My female relatives of mature years are always telling me that I don't have enough clothes and then faint dead away at the price I pay for the few items I possess. They cannot see the point of everything going with everything else as that limits the opportunity to go out and buy something new.

If Woopies are to be taken seriously as consumers, the clothing industry should stop thinking in terms of go-anywhere items and put its mind to designing dresses that you have to change out of if you are going somewhere else.

Yuppy-style luggage designed to hold a few well-chosen clothes and fit under a 'plane seat should now give way to huge suitcases with enough straps and buckles to fasten down Houdini. For when Woopies travel, time is not of the essence. They don't mind waiting for hours at the baggage carousels — you can meet a nice class of person as your trolleys get entangled. They just want to be able to take along with them several changes of evening stole, a hot water bottle in case it gets chilly, a sombrero to keep the sun off and a pair of earrings to match every outfit.

The most important thing to remember about Woopies is that they do not wish to be reminded that they are well off old persons; they want it to be universally acknowledged that they are as young as they feel — which is often 19 and a half. So I don't think that there will be a sudden rush for non-slip mats to put in the bath. What is really needed now is an increase in the availability of high-heeled gold strappy sandals and a reissue of every record Frank Sinatra ever made.

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Dafydd's offensive

Labour's plans to get at least one CND member on the powerful all-party defence committee may receive a boost from an unexpected source — Plaid Cymru and its leader, Dafydd Elis Thomas. He is considering applying to join the committee which, since he is a CND member of 25 years standing, will worry the Conservative and the three Labour multilateralist members. One of the three — Dr John Gilbert (of Westland fame), Bruce George and Dick Douglas — is already under threat of losing his place following the decision by Derek Foster, the Labour chief whip, to press for a CND presence on the committee. Hitherto it received classified information from the MoD and the worry is that this would cease if the committee included a unilateralist — Joan Ruddock and Harry Cohen are possible nominees. Elis Thomas's position as leader of a parliamentary group of six (with the Scottish Nationalists) might mean it will hard to keep him out.

Uncoordinated

Gentle but firm persuasion has been applied to exuberant Frank Dobson, the Labour Party's successor as campaign co-ordinator to Bryan Gould. The MP for Holborn and St Pancras sounded off at some length last week about how he would lead the troops in this parliamentary session; give the government a run for its money; organize strategy over attacks on the Tories with the use of wall charts and so on... The problem was that Derek Foster, the party's chief whip, regards such Commons organization as *his* job; ditto Neil Kinnock, so Dobson has been told politely to cool it.

● Cuba and Nicaragua must figure somewhere but Essex University, the former hotbed of student unrest and Marxist sociology (at least when I was an undergraduate), and this weekend's host for the Post Election Forum, now boasts that its most popular societies are for Wine Appreciation and Latin American Ballroom Dancing. But do they sew on their own sequins?

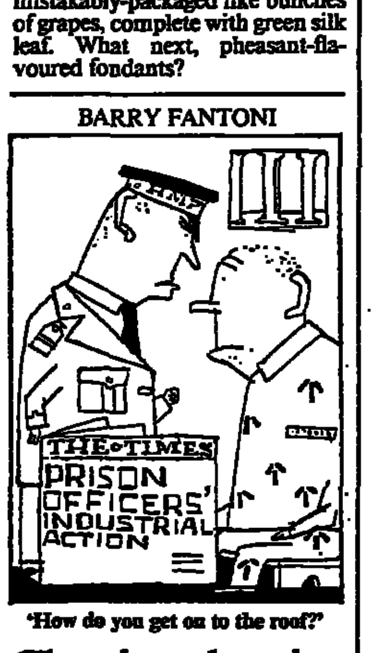
Prize draw

Don't all rush off to the bookies, but my publishing snout reckons that the peace and tranquillity exhibited by this year's Booker Prize judges under the chairmanship of P.D. James may, as has happened before, result in a compromise winner. Allan Massie, one of the five, has already gone on the record (PHS October 15) with his view that Brian Moore's *The Colour of Blood* is the best novel he's read this year, and Selina Hastings is thought to favour Nina Bawden's *Circles of Deceit*. So Thursday's winner could be the second favourite, Peter Ackroyd's *Chatterton*, rather than previous award winner Iris Murdoch for *The Book and the Brotherhood*.

Chocs away

Even new depths of tackiness — or perhaps stickiness — have been plumbed for this year's Beaujolais Nouveau run. Thorntons, the chocolate manufacturers, plan to mix Beaujolais Nouveau with brandy and stuff the concoction into dark chocolate liqueurs. They will be made during the night of November 19, to be on sale in London by 9 am. Unmistakably-packaged like bunches of grapes, complete with green silk leaf. What next, pheasant-flavoured fondants?

BARRY FANTONI



'How do you get on to the roof?'

Clearing the air

The question of how to remove lead from the environment has produced an unlikely alliance. The former enemies who have joined forces are Clear, the lead-free pressure group, the petroleum industry and the Environment Department, whose representatives meet on Thursday for a publicity exercise to identify cars already capable of using lead-free petrol. The government has given Clear £22,000 in an effort to meet EEC directives by the end of the decade and the conversion and manufacture of suitable car engines. Colin Moynihan, the anti-pollution minister, Ian Berwick, representing the petroleum industry association, and Bruce Saunders for the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders Association are due to sit alongside Des Wilson, the pressure group's front man. Is it coincidence, I ask, that the meeting is just one day after the government's planned BP sale?

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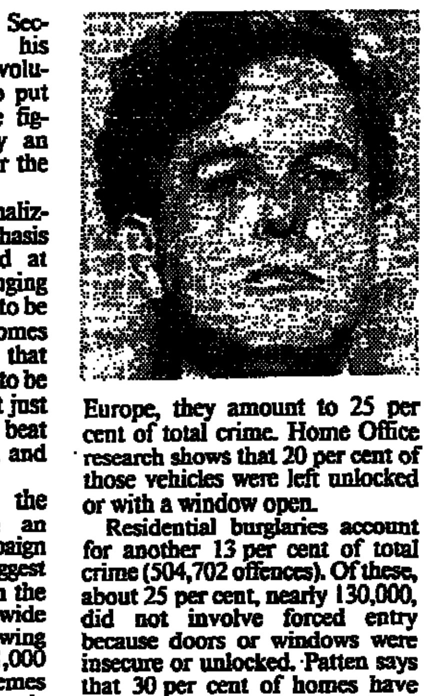
Day of the DIY crime fighter



John Patten (left), the Home Office minister, talks to Robin Oakley about the thinking behind the government's proposed campaign to make life harder for the criminal

Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, and John Patten, his Minister of State, have a revolutionary aim. They intend to put into reverse Britain's crime figures, which have risen by an average 6 per cent a year for the past 30 years.

The Home Office is now finalizing a scheme, with the emphasis on self-responsibility, aimed at nothing less than changing people's behaviour. They are to be persuaded to protect their homes properly; to be convinced that rising crime is not inevitable; to be taught to accept that it is not just the police's responsibility to beat the criminal, but up to each and every one of us.

Shortly after Christmas, the Home Office will launch an £11 million advertising campaign on crime prevention, its biggest ever. This will be linked with the creation of a new nationwide crime prevention body, drawing together the work of 41,000 neighbourhood watch schemes and 300 crime prevention panels into a national forum.

Patten has also been talking to Britain's major house builders and car manufacturers about practical design improvements to reduce opportunities for crime. In schools there will be a greater emphasis on the teaching of morality and law and order.

A string of Tory Home Secretaries has provided more police, tougher penalties and more prison places to supply most of what society wants by way of punishment and retribution. But that has not been enough. Patten says: "We need to open up a second front in the battle against crime. The perception of most people about law and order is that it is to do with the Home Office, the police and the courts, and then to bang the criminals up in prison afterwards. That is a profound mistake. Over three years we are going to attempt to change people's behaviour."

He points out that 95 per cent of crime is against property and says that once people realize that they will be less frightened of crime and realize they can do something about it. The crime figures support the advertising campaign's slogan that "Crime Is Avoidable".

Of the 3,847,410 offences recorded by police in 1986, a total of 411,060 represented thefts of vehicles, and 577,414 were thefts from vehicles. The highest in Europe, they amount to 25 per cent of total crime. Home Office research shows that 20 per cent of those vehicles were left unlocked or with a window open.

Residential burglaries account for another 13 per cent of total crime (504,702 offences). Of these, about 25 per cent, nearly 130,000, did not involve forced entry because doors or windows were insecure or unlocked. Patten says that 30 per cent of homes have inadequate security: no more than a simple lock on a thin door set in a weak frame. Cut down the waste of police time in investigating burglaries of ill-protected homes and vehicles and more time can be spent on tackling violent crimes and frauds.

So step one in the national advertising campaign will be to insist that homes can be protected quite cheaply. "You can thief-proof the average house against the casual thief for £50-£70," Patten says. "The do-it-yourself enthusiast can do it for around £30."

Does that imply subsidies to encourage householders? "No, it's not something where people should say 'Where's the government grant?' It's not a lot of money. Essentially we're just talking about a five-lever mortice lock and a few window locks."

But Patten does not want people simply to bar themselves up in their homes: "What we are trying to do is to recreate communities and villages where communities and villages don't exist any more, in towns and cities. That is essential to doing something about rising crime rates."

In January 1985 there were 3,669 neighbourhood watch schemes. Now there are more than 41,000. The Home Office plans to build on these and the 300 crime prevention panels to create a huge anti-crime lobby, led by a national organization with representatives from government, police, local authorities, businessmen, the insurance industry and community activists. Patten is insistent that it will not be a talking shop, but a practical body out for results.

What he does not say, but what represents the political imperative behind the new drive, is that ministers accept they dare not face the electorate again without turning around the crime figures. And they have just three to four years to achieve that.

Underpinning Patten's belief that a second front must be opened in the war against crime is the belief that the police cannot do it all. "The police grow out of the community. They are not superimposed on the country. So the community must support the police in what they are trying to do."

The first two Tory governments were, as he puts it, employed in giving back the family silver to the family: privatization, the sale of council houses, the curbing of irresponsible union leaders, brought people obvious material benefits. "The acid test for our government this time around is whether we can persuade people to accept greater responsibility for housing, for education and for law and order.

"We are not expecting the general public to substitute for the police but we want them to work with the police and shoulder their responsiblity for crime prevention."

Will such a campaign provide practical results? Patten has plenty to hand. He names a North Tyneside area — one of five crime prevention initiatives launched by the Home Office in 1986 — where residential burglary and vehicle theft are down by 23 per cent and criminal damage by 18 per cent.

On a Plymouth naval estate of 170 houses, 17 were burgled in four months. Then a neighbourhood watch scheme started. In the four months since it began there has been none.

A crime prevention panel initiative in Kings Lynn has effectively killed crime on a previously troubled industrial estate. "Crimestopper" initiatives with rewards funded by businessmen in Great Yarmouth and Norwich have dramatically improved clear-up rates for crime.

There has also been a significant alteration in the attitude of the police themselves to crime prevention. Ten years ago, crime prevention was for the superannuated, near-to-retirement police officer who went round advising householders on locks. Now, says Patten, "there are lots of bright and sparky young policemen of different ranks across the country who have been marked out to do the job on the fast track to promotion."

He has been impressed by French crime prevention schemes which take inner-city youngsters off the streets in hot summers and find them alternative occupations, helping to make France the one country in Europe with declining crime figures.

Patten, who chairs an inter-departmental committee of ministers on crime prevention, admits that dealing with crime inevitably leads him into the domain of other ministers. The peak ages for offenders, for example, are 14 for females and 15 for males, which leads inevitably to concern with what is going on in school and family. Designing-out crime from council estates and inner-city ghettoes — providing fewer dark alleys, better-lit walkways and the like — involves William Waldegrave, the Housing Minister.

One can foresee inter-departmental squabbles of the kind that handicap inner-city initiatives, but it is clear that the crime-fighting role of the Home Office, once purely a damage limitation organization, is undergoing a sea change. Ministers no longer intend to wait for it to happen.

With the setting up of the new supremo body for crime prevention in the new year, there must be at least a chance that at long last there could be the first significant reduction in crime figures for 30 years.

If not, the Tories may well pay the penalty at the next election.

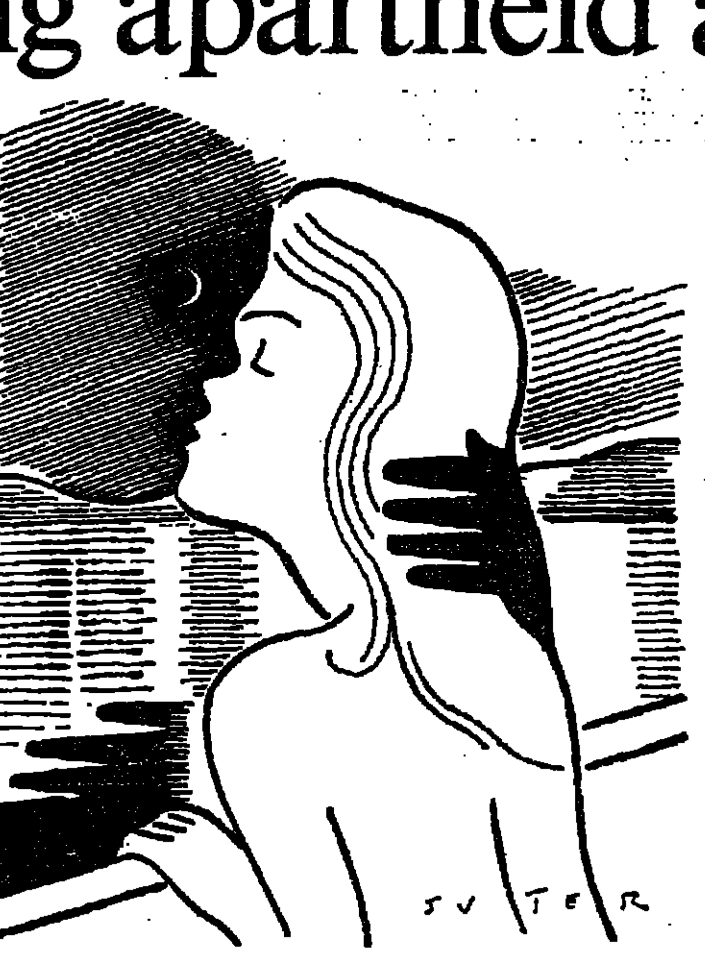
Bernard Levin: the way we live now

Kissing apartheid adieu

That very gifted and intelligent actress, Janet Suzman, was born in South Africa, and she is at present running, and directing at, the Market Theatre in Johannesburg, which is one of the country's leading playhouses. It is a brave venture, and recently it became, abruptly, considerably braver. Miss Suzman decided to put on *Othello*.

Being a logical woman, and no doubt having read the play, she cast an African as Othello and a white actress as Desdemona. But, as must have been obvious to her, *Othello* in her native country is not like *Othello* anywhere else. *Hamlet* would have passed muster, for the dynastic problems of Denmark are remote from South Africa; *King Lear* is hard on ungrateful daughters, but there is no reason to suppose that these are more common in South Africa than elsewhere; *Macbeth* is brutal and violent, but everybody knows that the Scots are all mad.

The fourth of the great tragedies, however, impinges, to say the least. And some of the language in the very first scene must have raised — undoubtedly did raise — hackles in the audience. Here is Roderigo, awakening Brabantio:



> *Even now, now, very now, an old black ram*
> *Is tupping your white ewe*

And Brabantio launches into a torrent of rage mixed with incredulity, in words which echo a strain of thought still current in many parts of the world, and in South Africa most of all:

> *O thou foul thief! Where hast thou stow'd my daughter?*
> *Damn'd as thou art, thou hast enchanted her;*
> *For I'll refer me to all things of sense,*
> *If she in chains of magic were not bound,*
> *Whether a maid so tender, fair, and happy,*
> *So opposite to marriage that she shunn'd*
> *The wealthy curled darlings of our nation,*
> *Would ever have, to incur a general mock,*
> *Run from her guardage to the sooty bosom*
> *Of such a thing as thou; to fear, not to delight...*
> *She is abus'd, stol'n from me, and corrupted*
> *By spells and medicines bought of mountebanks;*
> *For nature so preposterously to err,*
> *Being not deficient, blind, or lame of sense,*
> *Sans witchcraft could not.*

Well, there it is; nearly four centuries ago the argument was laid out plainly and unambiguously: *is it possible that black and white can* mutually love and, if they maintain that they can, is there not something abnormal, something disgusting, about their claim and their behaviour?

Most civilized people will answer yes to the first question and no to the second. Yet the extraordinary thing about Brabantio's attitude, and the jeers of Roderigo, is that they are entirely recognizable today; indeed, today's versions are the very same ones, couched in modern speech. If the taboo is absurd, degrading and baseless (which is what I believe) it is taking the devil of a time a-dying.

I shall return to that aspect of the matter, but first, I must record the response to Miss Suzman's production. It was, I gather, an enormous hit, with massive advance bookings, packed houses, and critical acclaim. True, it was the first time such a great Shakespearean classic had been performed at the Market Theatre; true, also, that few members of the audience could be untouched by the special circumstances under which it was being played. Yet I learn that for the Johannesburg *Othello* black and white alike flocked to the theatre and were enthralled by what they found.

With, that is, a few exceptions. The embracing of Desdemona by Othello, the kiss of black lips on white ones, was too much for some of the whites in the audience; they walked out. Shortly afterwards, hate mail began to arrive at the theatre. (Miss Suzman rejected the obvious solution to her problem; to insist that the play was about an Irishman, as white as any redneck, called O'Thello).

It is no use trying to apply reason to these events; *if the feelings that caused them* were susceptible to reason they would have dissolved long ago. When a wound that has festered for hundreds of years bleeds afresh, it is not just pessimism that suspects it is incurable. And yet we have to cure it, or we shall one day all find ourselves in a *Kulturkampf*, the nature of which no one will be able to predict or control.

I do not believe there is any reality in Mr Enoch Powell's prophecy of inter-racial civil war in Britain; indeed, I see that he has recently felt obliged to freshen it, like all those prophets who announce the date on which the world will come to an end, and, when it doesn't, announce, not at all abashed, a new *Dies Irae*. But I do believe that unless we can become colour-blind we shall never find that nirvana of integration necessary to every individual, let alone the public integration that every society needs if it is to be healthy. But that brings me back to the ancient taboo that horrified Brabantio as much as it still horrifies those Johannesburg theatre-goers who walked out.

If there are areas where reason cannot penetrate, are we helpless to do anything but watch as the tide flows remorselessly on? Surely not. It used to be fashionable, among those who consciously or unconsciously felt hostility to those of another colour, to insist that legislation cannot make us love one another, and this was taken not as a truism, but as an excuse for inaction. We nevertheless passed a lot of legislation, and set up a lot of boards and bodies and commissions, all of which put together have achieved very little. *But they have not achieved nothing.*

You cannot stop a landlady hating Nigerians. But you can stop her slamming the door in the face of a Nigerian student with a cry of "No niggers here". I found very significant the recent story of the idiotic policeman who urged a community to watch out for "coloureds" and note the number plates of their cars. The significance of the story lay not in the policeman's folly but in the reaction, first among the people he was exhorting to such monochrome vigilance, and then among general public comment; the reaction was decidedly unfavourable to Plod.

I have no doubt that there were people who read that story, and secretly suppported the policeman. Secretly; they did not express their feelings. Some would say that that is because they are cowed by opinion around them; but so they damned well should be. Besides, I do not believe that that is the only thing that keeps them silent; I believe that over the years they have begun to feel shame at the attitudes and prejudices they cannot help.

Good; let us continue. In this country, of course, it is bedevilled by party; too many political spivs have battened on Britain's race relations, on both sides of the chasm. Yet who but Mr Powell could deny that our race relations have — slowly, haltingly and unevenly — got better over the years?

It is a desperately slow process; but within a framework of law there is a chance that the ancient nightmares which troubled Brabantio may begin to fade. Yet what chance is there of such a fading in South Africa, where the framework of law is designed to perpetuate the nightmares?

Only this chance: the great majority of the audiences there did watch the kiss that united black and white, and were not struck by lightning (or even by police truncheons) for their temerity. The Immorality Act has been repealed; its baleful influence will persistuntil the Group Areas Act follows it into history, but even now some South Africans must have noticed that the repeal has not led to the entire country being engulfed in earthquakes, tidal waves and the Ten Plagues of Egypt. If some have noticed, more will.

Whether South Africa's leaders have noticed, or are capable of noticing, I cannot say; if not, then a real and terrible war is sooner or later inevitable. But if they can awake, if that Eleventh Plague is avoided, a tiny part of the credit will go to Shakespeare and Miss Suzman.

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History's great divide

Few events have done more to shape individual attitudes and national policies than the Russian Revolution. To mark the 70th anniversary, The Times this week publishes a series on its consequences for Russia and the world. Tomorrow's contributor is Robert Conquest, followed by V.G. Kiernan, George Urban and Conor Cruise O'Brien

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T.E. Utley

A thinker for the Tories

For as long as I can remember the Tory party has been preoccupied with its lack of an intelligentsia. It seems never to have forgotten John Stuart Mill's jibe to the effect that it is in its nature the stupidest of all parties.

Robust Tories of the old school, of course, have rejoiced in this deficiency and turned Mill's sneer into a compliment. Since the war, however, party leaders have addressed themselves seriously and nervously to trying to create a Tory intelligentsia. These efforts were largely a response to Labour's 1945 election victory which leading Tories, like Rab Butler, naively attributed mainly to the sustained assault over decades by the writers and thinkers of the Fabian movement on the minds of the intellectual elite.

In fact, Attlee's success was chiefly a by-product of the war and of Labour's performance in the great wartime coalition, which was thought to have disproved the really damaging accusation that British socialists were incapable of governing.

Anyway, the Tories never have succeeded in acquiring an intelligentsia, and for this I am profoundly grateful, in spite of the fact that, at various points in my career, I have derived some material benefit from their frenzied anxiety to do so.

Let us consider what a political intelligentsia is: it is a body of intellectually self-confident people who believe they possess some set of principles which, applied to the political and social "problems" of the day, will yield swift and certain "solutions".

There is in fact no such set of principles, and the whole of human experience testifies to the view that the search for such panaceas is normally attended by disaster. Happily, in Britain at any rate, disaster is usually averted by the break-up of the intelligentsia which would bring it about.

Intellectuals are peculiarly disposed to fratricidal strife — witness the present condition of the Labour and Alliance parties. The principles of Toryism by contrast are of so capacious a character and so finely balanced against one another that they point to no instant policies. To understand this, one only has to converse with, for example, my former much loved colleague Lord Deedes or the admirable Lord Whitelaw. Both are capable of changing their views, almost unconsciously, on a practical issue in the course of a discussion. What you can count on is that everything they say will be expressed in authentically Tory terms. There will be a Tory argument for nationalizing water and a Tory argument against.

This sometimes exposes them to derision but it is nevertheless sound. Toryism is a way of doing things, not a set of prescriptions about what should be done. It embodies the truth that two thirds of every political decision depends on the judgement of circumstance.

Does this mean that no intellectual formulation of Conservatism is possible? I think not, and am confirmed in this belief by the admirable series of essays by Roger Scruton (for four years the much more distinguished tenant of this column) which has just been published as a book*.

Scruton's articles contain very few prescriptions for policy, though one might infer from them a bias in favour of capital punishment, a measured opposition to unduly liberal policies about immigration, and a distaste for local government in its present form.

He believes in authority, in government by discussion and consent, rather than in plebiscitary democracy, in private ownership, in dependence on the spontaneous forces of society rather than on central planning. *He also believes in national sovereignty.* He is to be defined precisely as a "liberal-conservative"; not, as his opponents ludicrously stigmatize him, a "fascist".

These essays are much better than some of Scruton's excessively prolific writing. Some of that writing suggests an unhealty interest in European intellectuals of the Right and too little concern for the greater apostles of English conservatism such as Hooker, Halifax, Burke, and Salisbury.

These, on the whole, are English essays, not obsessed by Hegelianism, Marxism and all the other unfortunate ingredients in his education. They are much to be admired, as is his editorship of the *Salisbury Review*.

If the Tory party is still looking for a philosopher, its establishment should embrace Roger Scruton. After all, this session of Parliament is going to be quite difficult for the Tory whips. There *are no fundamental disagreements* within the Conservative party. Certainly none which can't be reconciled if a spirit of reconciliation prevails. If it does not prevail, if the party becomes obsessed with the importance of achieving a dynamic intelligentsia, disaster will follow. With its large majority, it will be rent by theological anger and become like Labour and the Alliance.

There is nothing which I have read in Roger Scruton's book with which the Prime Minister would disagree. The Tory establishment, which tends to regard him as a man of the extreme Right, should come to terms with him.

**Untimely Tracts*, published by Macmillan (£12.95).

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however... Philip Howard

Roll up for the cow pie party

There are only nine elementary plots for fiction and fables in all literature, from the Sanskrit myths to the latest science fiction fantasy. I suppose we could classify one of the most durable plots of our times as a picaresque *Bildungsroman*, or even *Erziehungsroman*, if we were hoisting the black flag of Lit Crit to frighten peaceful literary travellers.

This anti-hero is the roughest, toughest cowpoke in fiction, the terror of Cactusville, with a chin as bristly and bulbous as a saguaro cactus. As Dr Johnson said of Dryden, he knows how to complain, but his articulate grievances are not usually of a metaphysical kind. His favourite food is cow pie with the horns in, lovingly baked fresh daily by his Aunt Aggie.

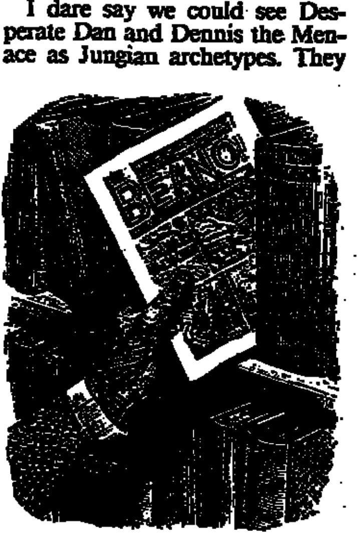
Desperate Dan appeared in the first issue of *The Dandy* 50 years ago, and is still going strong, though the spiritual and psychological maturation of his *Bildungsroman* is as slow as steam off a dung pile. His original artist is said to have modelled Dan on his editor; that sounds improbable, since editors tend by the nature of their profession to be mild-mannered and well-shaven introverts. After 2,242 adventures inside his comic, Desperate Dan was promoted to the front cover three years ago.

The plots of his weekly adventures are representations of an action that is worth serious attention, complete in itself and of some amplitude, by means of pity and fear bringing about the purgation of such emotions. But they are not complicated. For example, in episode 2,393 earlier this month Desperate Dan's ill-shaven hound dog terrorizes Cactusville, chasing cats (even wild cats) up trees, hunting Injuns, scaring the living daylights out of grizzlies, and giving the dog obedience class a nervous breakdown. So he is sent to the lion-tamer, where he frightens the lions, GRRR! SNARL! SNAP! End of story.

Dennis the Menace of *The Beano* also falls into the literary category of picaresque *Bildungsroman*, going easy on the *Bildungs*. A mischievous, rough, cheeky, anti-intellectual schoolboy who thinks girls are soppy, he was introduced to his readers in 1951 with the words, "Look! Here's a new pal you'll enjoy — He's the world's wildest boy." In 1974 Dennis was promoted to the front and back pages, ousting Biffo the Bear.

The Dandy and *The Beano* are about to celebrate their fiftieth anniversaries. They are still selling well at Mrs Punjani's, the admirable newsagent's down the road, mostly to young men in their twenties who buy them for a laugh. The Punjanis say with mild puzzlement that they never had such publications in East Africa.

I dare say we could see Desperate Dan and Dennis the Menace as Jungian archetypes. They come from a publishing house in Dundee and represent the uninhibited side of the Scottish character. But the principle is much older than 50 years. If we had space and time we could take it back to the strip cartoons at Lascaux and Pompeii, which no doubt irritated high-minded contemporaries and provoked complaints that they were bad for the children and ruining the art of conversation. The first widely acknowledged British strip was *Ally Sloper's Half-Holiday* (1884-1923), starring a sharp, gin-swigging, working-class anti-hero.



Chris Wormell

Comics divide between the subversively entertaining and the morally improving: in the red corner Desperate Dan and Lettice Leefe; in the blue corner Rupert Bear and Dan Dare. In the same way English children were divided between goodies who read *Swallows and Amazons*, and baddies who read *Just William*. I don't know where that places those of us who preferred Angela Brazil to both. But literature ought to be a lake big enough for elephants to swim in, lambs to paddle in, Desperate Dan to push the sheriff into the horse trough in, and Dennis the Menace to load his water pistols in. These comic strip heroes are extraordinarily longevous.

Happy jubilee, rascals. POW! WHEEE! CHEERS! You are more fun and more intellectually demanding than *The Star*.

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THE PEDLARS OF CERTAINTY

It is clear what the great crash has done to shares. How has it affected the market in ideas?

One of Keynes' favourite symbolic characters was the practical businessman, who prided himself on having no time for theorizing, but who, in reality, was the slave of some defunct economist. In Britain a rather more representative figure in our own time has been the practical politician, civil servant, academic or columnist — priding himself on his scepticism about "ideology", but really the slave of some defunct ideologue (often Keynes).

This character was at first scornful of "Thatcherism". But gradually, he accepted that there might be something in it.

Since June 11, he has tended to pronounce not only that Thatcherism is successful but that a modified version of it is the only philosophy which can re-elect the Labour Party. Since the "Black Monday" of a week ago, he has tended to hedge, and in some cases, to get out of anything resembling "Thatcherism" altogether. The market in ideas has turned.

One idea which the crash has revived, is socialism, in all its forms. It has been suggested, for example, that the stock market fall is good only for the hard left — not for, say, Mr Bryan Gould, who since June 11 had identified himself with the need for Labour to embrace share-ownership.

But, once Mr Gould got into trouble with his party conference over his enthusiasm for share-ownership, he started modifying his position to suggest that worker-shareholdings were all he had meant. How much of a friend of true shareholding is such a man likely to be in the face of a crash? He can be expected to drift along with the more traditional Labour attitude — that shareholding is a means by which capitalism holds out to the small investor the false prospect of riches.

His leader is, in any case, more comfortable with that approach. The crash should unite the Labour Party. It will make it possible for Mr Kinnock, by denouncing popular capitalism, to please the hard left. At the same time, he will no longer run such a risk of frightening off the more prosperous voters to whom, since June 11, Mr Kinnock and Mr Gould — over the heads of the hard left — have been frantically signalling their sympathy.

How long such party unity lasts will depend on whether the voters are persuaded that the answer to a fall in share prices, one of the risks of capitalism, is to embrace socialism. A whole society free of risk — not just an investment free of it — was on offer at Mr Benn's alternative Labour conference this weekend. This prospect, riches in the form of certainty, is far more deceptive than that offered by any share huckster.

The state, the party or the union would guarantee the certainty of a job, a home, and welfare in an uncertain world. This has ever been the cry of totalitarians of left and right. It is akin to the slogan "Slump or Mosley", once daubed on walls of working class London. It promises that the masses would not run economic risks in a collectivist society.

But the risks are simply different. There is the risk of being directed into a job which is not of one's choice; of falling foul of the petty state official, and of thereby having no job at all; of living in a flat which could be reassigned at any time.

The soft left offers the certainties, not of the police state, but of the welfare state. But there are risks there too — of inflation and high taxation, caused by the need to pay for all the welfare; of rent control, making it difficult to move to another part of the country if one loses one's job.

The crash has also brought the revival, not just of an influential idea, but of an influential person — Professor Galbraith. He displays his fabled charm in an interview in *The Times* today (page ten). He repeats the notion that classical economics from Smith to Friedman — that is, the economics of the free market which are now widely thought to have been dealt a great blow — was never anything more than "the self-interest of the dominant, wealthy class". In an attempt to disarm criticism, he concedes that he himself no doubt reflects "the vested interest of the economic, academic community" — presumably its interest in state spending and intervention.

There is something dismally mechanical about this view of why people hold the ideas they do. It is no reply to an argument simply to say that it serves the interests of those who put it. The truth of an idea can only be ascertained by logic, argument, evidence and reflection. The psychological background or motivation of those who hold an idea is irrelevant to its validity, and in any case is usually unknowable.

What is the "vested interest of the economic academic community" to which Professor Galbraith admits? It could only be that greater state involvement in the economy confers on the intellectual or the academic greater power and status than he could command if he had to sell his labour on the open market. So we should be especially wary of their solutions to the crash of '87.

Not that Professor Galbraith's differ technically from that of the despised classical economists. Cut the US budget deficit, he says. So does Mr Reagan. The difference, however, is that Professor Galbraith says cut defence, and the classicists say cut welfare.

Defence, however, is something which can only be provided by government. Welfare, as experience increasingly shows, is not. Cutting defence means making a benign judgement about the intentions of the Soviet Union — something which Professor Galbraith is not qualified to do. So it is a time to beware the return of old prophets. If they are wrong about the Soviet Union, then the rest of us — if we heed them — will be taking the worst risk of all.

NO PEACE FOR THE PUNJAB

Last week Sikh terrorists again shot and killed innocent people on the streets of Delhi. Again in Amritsar, police forces entered the Golden Temple complex, detaining more than 200 people and placing the city under curfew. The massacre in Delhi is part of a policy by Sikh terrorists to "invite" a Hindu backlash on their community. (Their aim is to drive Sikhs to seek sanctuary in Punjab and thus create conditions for the independent Khalistan to which they aspire.) The action in Amritsar is Mr Gandhi's response to a bid by Sikh extremists to call a congregation to ratify their Khalistan plans.

From these dramatic events comes an almost inescapable sense that attempts to find a political solution have been jettisoned by both sides. The Punjab question is still anxiously debated in India. But the discussion is shrouded with disillusion and foreboding. Experience, particularly that of the last two years, has taught Indians to temper hope with cynicism. They are unlikely to believe in any easy settlement, as they did in 1985 when Rajiv Gandhi signed a peace accord with the Sikh Akali Dal leader ushering in a brief lull of Punjab peace.

The way out of the present impasse is not, for all that, beyond imagining. The impetus has to begin from the realization that direct rule by Delhi, which replaced the elected Sikh government of Mr Barnala in May, has not worked. The growing terrorist threat makes it clear that the problem cannot be contained, let alone resolved, by police action alone. A political response is necessary.

Dismissing the Barnala government was a mistake because it ended the possibility of making a political solution work. What Rajiv Gandhi must now work towards is restoring a Sikh government as soon as possible. That, however, is easier said than done.

Mr Gandhi cannot simply put the clock back by returning Mr Barnala to office. Although it can be argued on Mr Barnala's behalf that he was let down by Delhi's failure to implement the accord which brought him to power, subsequent events showed that he was a weak and indecisive man. A rougher leader is now needed for the job.

One possibility might be Amarinder Singh, who leads a significant Akali faction and, as the former Maharajah of Patiala, can claim the emotional loyalty of the Sikh community. Prakash Singh Badal, a former Chief Minister of Punjab, could be another. He is said to have the skill to handle the terrorists while, at the same time, keeping the Sikh community on his side. Mr Badal is at present in jail, however, after his arrest last year as a security risk.

These leaders, or any others Mr Gandhi might pick, would, of course, have their demands. They might want the release of more so-called Sikh political prisoners. Or they might insist that the government take action against the people, some of them Congress Party politicians, who were popularly indicted for their part in the 1984 Sikh massacre that followed Mrs Gandhi's assassination.

Accepting such conditions might be difficult for Mr Gandhi, particularly when he is faced with growing dissension at home and military problems in Sri Lanka. Elements of the Congress Party would view it as capitulation to Sikh extremism. The country at large, on the other hand, might see it as a return to the clear moral standards which Mr Gandhi set in 1985 and which struck such a popular chord.

Before any Akali leader could accept the Chief Ministership of the Punjab from Mr Gandhi's hands, an environment would have to be created in which it was politically acceptable to do so. This means that the present "security first" strategy, on which the government lays so much store, must be reconsidered. No one would seriously advocate any restraint by the security agencies in tracing and capturing terrorists. It is how the rest of the Sikh population is treated that is questionable. Young Sikhs must no longer be exposed to torture, or "disappear" in staged police encounters. That will continue to alienate the entire Sikh community.

Laying the ground for a political solution will bring dangers — whether from simple misunderstandings or from terrorist determination to stop peace at any price. But Mr Gandhi managed it with seeming ease in the days leading up to to the 1985 accord. If he chooses the right people to assist him he can do it again.

At the moment Mr Gandhi seems to be offering a defensive, uncertain reaction to the crisis. If he is to regain the initiative in Punjab — and also some of his own lost stature — he must first rediscover his belief in the election promise to change the country which he made two and a half years ago. If he does not, there is small hope for the Prime Minister, smaller still for peace in the Punjab.

BR pension fund

From the General Secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen

Sir, It is extremely gratifying to note through your columns British Rail's statement "that they have no plans to raid the pension fund" (report, October 21).

The BR pension fund is the fourth largest UK occupational scheme and a recent survey of the top 10 schemes shows it to have the highest contribution level while at the same time providing significantly inferior benefits.

There is considerable scope for improvements in BR's pension scheme and it is the NUR's view that any actuarial surpluses should be utilised to strengthen and improve the scheme to the benefit of its members and pensioners.

The British Railways Board statement that it will not raid the fund for any surplus is indeed pleasing because this will allow those concerned to address themselves to the very real threat to the scheme posed by the Social Security Act, 1986.

Yours faithfully,
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October 22.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Background to a Nobel prize

From Professor Lars A. Hanson

Sir, Your editorial on October 14 on the Nobel Peace Prize to Dr Arias, the President of Costa Rica, makes the point that it should not be given to politicians. This criticism also followed the nominations of Henry Kissinger and Le Duc Tho, but I believe that Dr Arias may be better qualified.

When I submitted the candidature for Costa Rica with two fellow Swedes in January this year, for the fifth successive year, Dr Arias was proposed to receive the prize as a very worthy representative of his nation.

Briefly, the background was that the Costa Rican people disbanded their army in the Constitution of 1949 and have subsequently, *via* democratically-elected governments, wisely invested in health and education instead. This has had striking effects on the health situation in that poor country, which has been transformed from the deplorable state common to so many developing countries with their very high infant mortality rates.

In fact, the infant mortality rate in Costa Rica has come down to the level of several European countries. Interestingly, a decrease in infant mortality seems inevitably to be followed by a decrease in the birth-rate and this has also occurred in Costa Rica.

The example of using whatever meagre means are available for health and education instead of purchasing ever more sophisticated armaments is an example for all developing countries to follow and it is certainly very much in accord with the will of Alfred Nobel.

Costa Rica has, in several other ways, demonstrated its pacific stand; for instance its exemplary refugee programmes and its staunch neutrality. In spite of heavy pressures from the USA to use Costa Rica as a base for US supported Contras, Dr Arias has refused to accept this and the US aid to Costa Rica has been drastically cut as a consequence. Instead he has, in the best tradition of his country, proposed a peace plan for Central America which may yet be the most hopeful and constructive proposal that has been brought about in that region.

The Nobel Committee chose to name primarily the peace plan as a background to the prize. Although the peace plan most likely tipped the vote in Dr Arias's favour, the peace plan had not yet been presented when the candidatures were submitted in January.

Yours faithfully,
LARS A. HANSON,
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Göteborg, Sweden.
October 20.

Kew starts preparing for future

From the Chairman and the Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew

Sir, The recent storm with its winds of hurricane force did a great deal of damage at Kew and at Wakehurst Place, in Sussex. As has been recorded in your columns we lost many mature and beautiful trees. Skilled staff are now working to reopen both gardens, which we will do as soon as we have removed dangerous hanging branches and unsafe trees.

Meanwhile the response from the public has been overwhelming bringing with it much encouragement to those who are working not only to clear up but also to record the damage to individual trees. We are putting stocks of timber to one side for future use by scientists and craftsmen.

Whilst it will take generations to grow trees of the size of those we have lost, there has happily been comparatively little damage to buildings. Princess of Wales Conservatory which was opened by Her Royal Highness in July has escaped altogether as has the Temperate House and, somewhat surprisingly the Pagoda. Despite losses we have many fine trees, indeed the great majority, still standing at Kew although not so around the house at Wakehurst which is the saddest sight of all.

We are particularly grateful for the prompt and sympathetic response of the Government. Lloyds of London have also told us of a plan to set up a trust fund for Kew and for the National Trust which is the owner of Wakehurst Place.

We are now receiving donations from the public sent to us spontaneously for which we are immensely grateful and we have therefore opened a hurricane fund at Kew into which all donations received will be placed. We will keep the public informed as to the progress of this fund. Naturally the first call upon its resources will be to enhance the long-term replanting programme which will be needed at Kew and Wakehurst Place.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN ECCLES, Chairman,
ARTHUR BELL, Director,
Royal Botanic Gardens.
Kew,
Richmond, Surrey.

A bad blow

From Mr Ivan Robinson

Sir, In spite of the devastation to trees and property caused by the recent hurricane, may I make a plea for moderation and perspective to be shown in dealing with the residue of this storm, particularly with reference to surviving trees and tree stumps?

Naturally where trees have become unstable, they must be removed. But where the top of a tree has been damaged or blown out then there exists an opportunity to create a different yet traditional landscape, and at the same time, salvage a living and often ancient landscape feature.

Pollarding was a regular feature of tree care in our countryside in days gone by and this cutting at six to 10ft above the ground can be used in our present distressing circumstances to save trees which have not become unstable. Hedgerow pollards were used as landmarks and boundary posts in mediaeval times, and with regular cutting every 10-20 years, they remain stable.

In my area of East Anglia I see many trees which would respond to this treatment, oak, ash, maple, willow and hornbeam to name but a few. This is a convenient time of year to do such work and it would provide some landscape continuity where we have lost so many beautiful old trees.

Yours faithfully,
IVAN ROBINSON,
Trustrams, Shimpling,
Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk.
October 20.

From Mrs L. Symonds

Sir, I remember as a child in Devon seeing old apple trees blown down by gales. These trees were propped up and remained fruitful for years.

Surely some of the deciduous trees that suffered in the recent gales could be rescued by a replanting technique.

Yours faithfully,
L. SYMONDS,
Woodville Cottage,
Stour Provost,
Gillingham, Dorset.
October 22.

From Mrs I. P. Foster

Sir, What is the point of an independent Government inquiry into the failure of the Met Office to predict last week's storms?

The money would be far better spent on relieving the hardship!

Yours faithfully,
PATRICIA FOSTER,
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October 21.

Preserving books

From Mr D. J. Lawrence

Sir, The words of warning uttered by Mr Game (October 15) about cut-backs in grants to fine-art institutions echo concerns that are worrying many of the old craft businesses for which this country is so much admired thorughout the civilised world.

Those of us responsible for maintaining traditions of craftsmanship find it an uphill struggle in the face of apathy by bodies like the Arts Council towards the lesser arts.

For several generations, my family have been the sole surviving UK business making blocks for wood engravers. That art is currently enjoying a significant revival, helped in part by the regular appearance of wood engravings in your own columns.

Our future is jeopardised because we face serious raw-material supply problems, but even more seriously because we cannot devote the time and effort to train and maintain craftsmen, whilst satisfying the imbalance of effort demanded by Government in keeping records, complying with complex labour laws, taxation etc.

The future of all labour-intensive, highly-skilled crafts is endangered and warnings by craftsmen such as Mr Game should not go unheeded or these centuries-old crafts will disappear.

Yours faithfully,
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Steam at sea

From the Chairman of the SS Great Britain Project

Sir, The statement quoted by Admiral Sir James Eberle ("Prisoners of planet earth", October 15) that the Admiralty considered it their duty to "discourage to the utmost of their ability the employment of steam vessels", attributed by some naval historians to Lord Melville, has no historical foundation.

In 1852, only seven years after the Great Britain had demonstrated the practicability of the large ocean-going screw-driven steamship, the Royal Navy had completed its own design work and trials and had already in existence the nucleus of a steam battle fleet. Far-sighted officers saw that their future careers would be linked with steam.

By 1854 the First Lord, Sir James Graham, was able to muster nine steam-screw battleships, four screw "blockships" — old 74 gun-ships given steam engines — and at least four steam-screw frigates besides a small host of supporting paddlers to send into the Baltic to threaten the defences of St Petersburg at Kronstadt.

Study in detail of the development of the Navy in the first half of the 19th century compels respect for the speed of innovation. What was being introduced was, after all, not the development of existing technology but an entirely new dimension of human experience.

Yours faithfully,
BASIL GREENHILL, Chairman,
SS Great Britain Project,
Great Western Dock,
Gas Ferry Road,
Bristol, Avon.

IBA members' personal standards

From the President of the National Viewers' and Listeners' Association

Sir, Mr Bernard Levin's adulation (article, October 19) of Tony Harrison's poem *v.* does at least have the virtue of bringing to the very forefront of public debate the role of Lord Thomson and the Independent Broadcasting Authority in the establishment of broadcasting standards.

The approval by the Authority of Channel 4's intended transmission of this work of singular nastiness, raises the whole question of the personal standards and judgement of its individual members. The Broadcasting Act (1981) states that "as far as possible nothing is included in the programmes which offends against good taste or decency".

By agreeing to the poem's transmission the members of the Authority tell us that obscene four letter words, piled up at a speed and with a force that magnifies their brutality do not offend their individual standards of decency and good taste. Knowing Lord Thomson over many years, as I have, I find this difficult to believe. So is he saying that, in his judgement, the rest of us are quite happy with the transmission of language of this kind? I think we have a right to know.

The televising of this poem is bound seriously to undermine public confidence in the standards and effectiveness of the IBA and gives force to the reasonable argument, not only that broadcasting should be brought under the Obscene Publications Act but that the Act itself should be made effective enough to deal with aberrations of this kind.

Yours faithfully,
MARY WHITEHOUSE,
President,
National Viewers' and Listeners' Association,
Ardleigh,
Colchester, Essex.
October 23.

Poet's corner

From Miss Joanna Richardson

Sir, As a Hampstead resident, and as a student of Keats, I was interested to read (Diary, October 6) of further threatened closures of Keats House.

This house is, beyond much doubt, the most significant house in the borough. It has international literary importance. It is not, however, just a place of pilgrimage for tourists, or part of a classroom project for schoolchildren; it should also become a centre for serious academic research. It is time it was administered accordingly.

Keats House does not need (as at present) a "resident" curator and assistant curator under the ultimate authority of the Director of Arts and Leisure. It needs one "resident" curator, preferably a graduate in English literature, who can encourage scholarship, welcome the descendants of Keat's circle, and make the house not only the natural centre for research, but the natural home for relics of the past. If this simple change were made, it would surely solve whatever financial problems there might be.

The alternative would be for Camden to admit that it cannot administer Keats House as it deserves and to hand it over to some other authority. I for one have long believed that the house should be put beyond the reach of local politics.

Yours faithfully,
JOANNA RICHARDSON,
55 Flask Walk,
Hampstead, NW3.

Thumping great lives

From Mr J. L. Bradley

Sir, The embarrassing chauvinsim of Mr Simon Blow's pronouncements upon biography (article, October 17) and his misleading comments upon the attributes of Lytton Strachey as biographer must surely be called into question.

Strachey, who sacrificed fact to fiction, scholarship to superficial wit and stylistic excellence to glib phraseology may well have fathered the work of Cecil, Symons and Quennell, all of whom greatly improved upon that dubious paternity. But to dismiss Lewis on Wharton and Ellmann on Joyce and Wilde as exponents of the "ponderous tome" is to betray ignorance of scholarly perception and discriminating use of fact in the tradition of Boswell, Froude, Lockhart and others. The methods differ but there is room for the "atmospheric" biography as well as for fuller exposition of a subject's life.

As for the chauvinism, it is surely no coincidence that the British come out better than the Americans. It is ever thus when the London literary *cognoscenti* are set loose upon American scholarship. And Mr Blow's complaint that longer biographies "are foisted on us today" is no more than feeble acquiescence to publishers' selectivity.

Yours etc,
J. L. BRADLEY,
Church Cottage,
Hinton St George, Somerset.
October 18.

Mileage frauds

From Mr D. R. Robinson

Sir, Recent discussion of "clocking" car mileage recorders (report, October 13) has tended to emphasize how difficult it is to control this particular fraud.

In New Zealand, when I purchased a second-hand car for a journey around the country, I noticed on the vehicle registration document that not only were all previous owners listed, but also the mileage at every change of ownership.

With the computer facilities available at Swansea, can we not introduce a similar system?

Yours faithfully,
D. R. ROBINSON,
Higher Oldborough,
Morchard Bishop,
Crediton, Devon.
October 13.

Military precision

From Mr C. W Pratley

Sir, So often these days, in referring to staff appointments, the Armed Forces use such a bewildering array of strange abbreviations that it is a joy occasionally to see a title set out in full.

One such in your columns today (October 22) may also raise a smile — Deputy Surgeon General (Operations).

Yours etc,
CLIVE PRATLEY,
The Old Chapel, Aldfield,
Nr Ripon, North Yorkshire.

ON THIS DAY

OCTOBER 26 1809

George III (1738-1820) succeeded his grandfather, George II (1683-1760), on October 25, 1760. It was said that the jubilee was conceived to divert the people's attention from the incompetence of the Government. Nevertheless, the rejoicings were sincere for the king — then ill and blind — was not unpopular

THE JUBILEE.

The happy event of a British Monarch's entrance into the fiftieth year of his reign, an event which has occurred but twice before in the long and splendid history of this country, was celebrated by all ranks of people in this great metropolis, in a manner worthy of an aged and venerable King, and a loyal and enlightened nation. The day was one of the finest imaginable for the present season of the year, and favoured the public expressions and satisfaction in the highest degree. The celebration was announced by the pealing of bells, the hoisting of flags, and the assembling of the various bodies of regular troops, and the different corps of volunteers, throughout the town. The forenoon was dedicated to public worship and the acknowledgement of the Divine Providence (exemplified in the protection of his Majesty's person, and of the many national blessings almost exclusively enjoyed by the inhabitants of the united kingdom) in every parish church and chapel; and we add with pleasure, that among the various classes of Dissenters of all persuasions, we have heard of no exception to the general loyalty and piety of the day. Indeed, we sincerely believe, that the blessings of toleration are too deeply felt, and the advantages of the British Constitution too generally acknowledged, to give room for any material difference of opinion in any respectable portion of society. The cathedral, the abbey, the parochial church, the meeting-house of the Dissenter, the chapel of the Methodist and the Catholic, and the synagogue of the Israelite, were alike opened on this interesting occasion. All the shops were closed. The LORD MAYOR and the whole civic body went in procession to St. Paul's; and it was truly gratifying, amid the multitudes in the streets, of both sexes of every rank and description, to see the children of our innumerable Charitable Institutions, walking in their respective places of Divine Worship. Piety and charity must ever go hand in hand, and for this reason we are well pleased with the celebration of an event, which is the cause of general and national hospitality and benevolence. This is, in fact, the true nature, the best blessing, and the nearest resemblance to the origin and ancient practice of a Jubilee. The annals of no nation, we fondly believe, when the accounts reach us from different parts of the Empire, will be found to have exhibited greater marks of the best virtues that enrich the human heart. The debtor has been set free; the hungry have been fed; and the naked, in many instances, have been clothed! In all such cases, vanity and fashion may have led many to acts of generosity; but we should not be over-scrupulous in our enquiries into the motives of conferring general benefit, and producing happiness to thousands, though it be but for a day. We are satisfied, that to the general character of our countrymen and countrywomen, no such suspicion even attaches; and that the blessing of "him that has none to help him" will fall upon no small number. Such an union of piety and charity, while it is a comfort to ourselves individually, brings out, and makes a happy exposition to Europe and the world, of the national character of Britons; and thus combining moral and political good, is, we believe, in a word, "that righteousness which exalteth a nation." . As the evening approached, the Corporation of London and various other bodies were hastening to the Mansion house, and to their different halls, taverns, and other places of meeting, to celebrate in a more mirthful way the 50th year of the reign of a British King

COURT AND SOCIAL

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE

October 24: The Queen, attended by the Countess of Airlie, Lady Susan Hussey, the Right Hon Sir William Heseltine, Mr Kenneth Scott, Mr Robin Janvrin, Surgeon Captain Norman Blacklock, RN and Air Vice-Marshal John Severne, arrived at Heathrow Airport, London this evening in a Canadian Forces Boeing 707 from Canada.

Her Majesty was received at the Airport by the Earl of Airlie (Lord Chamberlain) and Mr Alan Proctor (Deputy Managing Director, Heathrow Airport Ltd).

October 25: The Prince Edward this evening attended a performance of *Don't Expect Miracles* at the Shaw Theatre, Euston in aid of the London Federation of Boys' Clubs.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sean O'Dwyer was in attendance.

The President of France celebrates his birthday today.

A thanksgiving service for the life and work of Sir Walter Oakeshott will be held at the University Church of St Mary the Virgin, Oxford, on Saturday, December 5, 1987, at 2.30 pm.

The infant daughter of Mr and Mrs David Brook was baptized Charlotte Emma Louise at St Michael's Church, Chagford, Devon, on Saturday, October 24, by the Rector, the Rev P.L. Baycock. The godparents are Mr Michael Preece, Mr David Herring, MFH, Mr Arnold Lowes, *the Hon Laura Aitken, Mrs* George Wingfield, Miss Lindka Cierach and Mrs Andrew Collie.

The 1987 Men of the Year luncheon takes place on November 11 at the Hilton International hotel, Park Lane. Applications are invited for the few remaining seats and tables. Please ring Miss Susan Gomersall on 01-637 5400.

Today's royal engagements

Prince Edward will visit NE Surrey's "Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award Expedition Black Mountains 1987" near Crickhowell at 10.30.

The Princess Royal will open the West London Institute of Higher Education's new sports hall, Isleworth, Middlesex, at 10.50; she will speak at the annual luncheon of the New *Zealand-United Kingdom* Chamber of Commerce and Industry at the Inn on the Park Hotel at 12.45; and will attend the 1987 Wavendon Allmusic Awards charity gala concert at the Barbican Hall at 7.30.

The Duke of Gloucester, Patron of the Eucational Foundation *for Visual Aids, will attend the* International Conference at the Angel Hotel, Cardiff, at 10.00; and will open the new classroom at the Cathedral School, Llandaff, at 3.10.

Princess Alexandra will attend the Women of the Year luncheon at the Savoy Hotel at 12.30 in aid of the Greater London Fund for the Blind; and a dinner at the Victoria and Albert Museum at 8.00 in aid of the British Friends of the Art Museums in Israel.

Memorial service

Professor C. Cheney

A memorial service for Professor Christopher Cheney was held at St Ben'et's Church, Cambridge, on Saturday. The Rev Dr David Thomas officiated, assisted by the Rev G.M. Styler. Mr M.W. McCrum, Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge University and Master of Cor*pus Christi College, read the* lesson and Dr F.W. Ratcliffe read from *The Rule and Excercises of Holy Living and Dying* by Jeremy Taylor. Professor Christopher Brooke gave an address and the Bishop of Ely pronounced the blessing.

Clifford Longley examines the challenge facing the Archbishop of Canterbury

Why Lambeth will not be a walk-over

The one major challenge facing the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, before his retirement is to bring the world-wide Anglican Communion intact through the stresses of another Lambeth Conference, due to take place in Canterbury next summer.

There are powerful forces being mustered to make his task as difficult as possible, primarily over the ordination of women and related issues.

The Lambeth Conference meets every 10 years, and all the bishops throughout the world in communion with Canterbury are invited by the Archbishop of the day to take part.

It has no final decision-making power, but its moral authority is such that defiance of a Lambeth Conference *resolution, on a matter of* importance, would be tantamount to leaving the Anglican Communion.

That being so, such resolutions have tended in the past to be so designed that everyone can live with them: the conference has never said, for instance, that women should be ordained, nor that they should not be.

Preparations for the conference have been in high gear for some months, part of Dr Runcie's policy of trying to make the Anglican Communion real and effective.

Previous Lambeth Conferences have demonstrated that although Anglicanism is *spread over the globe in about* 26 different and independent local churches or provinces, they have retained enough of a common Anglican philosophy to be able to proceed by consensus in most areas.

But it is where they cannot gain a consensus that the tough issues arise: whether the Anglican idea of an international church can survive if different parts of it pursue mutually incompatible policies or follow mutually incompatible doctrines; and *whether, if it does survive in* spite of this, it is of any more use than an international debating shop.

The 1978 conference's "agreement to disagree" about women priests was enough to prevent the Anglican Communion falling apart in the years since, though it was an interim solution whose life is probably now exhausted.

Some 40 American bishops, for instance, have declared their intention not to celebrate Holy Communion while in England, as a protest against the Church of England's failure so far to approve women priests.

In ecclesiastical terms that is virtually equivalent to excommunicating the Church of England. It is a retaliation for the English church's refusal to recognize the Holy Orders of American women priests when they visit England.

And it is a certainty that whatever the conference says about women bishops, the Episcopal Church in the United States will go ahead and consecrate them.

If it did so before next summer, and an American woman bishop was invited to become a member of the Lambeth Conference, the indications are that some English bishops (and some from elsewhere such as Australia) would walk out. If she was not invited, on the other hand, the rest of the American bishops would walk out. Either way, such a Lambeth Conference would leave the Anglican Communion in tatters.

American Episcopalians do like belonging to the Anglican Communion but on their own terms. This reflects the way the wider history of America's relationship with England is very different from that of the British Commonwealth, where almost all the other parts of the Anglican Communion are to be found.

Just as there was a political rupture represented by the American Revolution, so there was an ecclesiastical rupture at about the same time. Uniquely, the American church received its title deeds from the Scottish Episcopal Church and not from the Church of England, with which it was in dispute.

Unlike the rest of the Anglican Communion, much of which grew out of the activities of Church of England missionary societies in the nineteenth century, Episcopalians do not automatically look to the Church of England as the senior partner. On the whole they seem to view it as stuck in history.

The theological task facing the conference is to put some flesh on the skeleton of the concept of "communion". The inevitable comparison always made is with the Roman Catholic Church as an international communion, but it is usual for Anglicans to say that they want to do things differently and better than Rome does.

What they tend to mean is that they want the advantages of being an international *church* without the disadvantages: to travel abroad, and feel at home in the local Anglican church, but not to have any outside or central authority telling them what they can or cannot do.

But this cuts both ways — if Episcopalian bishops are *not* going to feel at home in English parishes next summer, because of the absence of women priests, they are in effect demanding a degree of global uniformity that will only come about if there is a global Anglican authority prepared to insist on it.

In the absence of that authority, they have no right to complain. If they oppose the existence of such an authority, which they surely do, their protest is dishonest.

The real question for the Lambeth Conference therefore may well be whether the Anglican Communion can begin to mean anything as long as the American Episcopal Church, insists on going its own way while remaining *part of it.*

The presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church, the Most Rev Edmund Browning, said in Britain last week that by his approach to the Lambeth Conference, Dr Runcie was "challenging us to become a communion". Part of his challenge should be to call on the Episcopalians to start acting as if they were part of one.

Bridge

US win world title for seventh time

From a Bridge Correspondent, Ocho Rios, Jamaica

The United States won its seventh consecutive Bermuda Bowl contract bridge world team championship, successfully defended the title against a British team which excelled themselves to produce a thrilling match.

Britain were in close contention until the very end. After 64 boards Britain led 147-135.

Then after 96 boards the US led by 209 to 180, and after 128 boards 241-188 and seemed to be home and dry.

The British staged a recovery and at the end of the third day the US led by 296 to 282 with 16 boards to play. At one point Britain had reduced the lead to 10, but lost a number of points in the closing boards to finally lose 354-290, a score which in no way reflects the tenseness of the match.

This was the best British performance for more than 30 years and a considerable credit to the players.

Tony Forrester the star of the British team played more than 700 boards in the tournament, a record for any player.

The American Bermuda Bowl reign began in 1976

The United States also won the Venice Cup women's world team championship.

Mr Bob Hoskins

Birthdays today

The Viscount of Arbuthnott, 63; Mr John Arden, playwright, 57; Sir Andrew Carnwath, banker, 78; *Mr Ian Chapman, chairman,* William Collins, 62; Sir Joseph Cleary, former MP, 85; Sir Percy Cradock, diplomat, 64; Mr Paul Daneman, actor, 62; Mr Bob Hoskins, actor, 45; Professor D.L. Hughes, veterinarian, 75; Air Marshal Sir Douglas Jackman, 85; Lord Jacobson, 79; Sir Donald MacDougall, economist, 75; Lord Molloy, 69; Viscount Muirshiel, CH, 82; Mr Gyorgy Pauk, violinist, 51; Lord Scanlon, 74; Sir James Scott, Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire, 63; Lord Wylie, 64.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr N.L. Dent and
the Hon Tatiana Wilson

The engagement is announced between Nigel, second son of Mr and Mrs Robin Dent, of Painswick, Gloucestershire, and Tatiana, second daughter of Lord Nunburnholme, of Shillinglee, Sussex, and Vicomtesse della Faille de Waerloos, of Kontich, Belgium.

Mr R.W. Allan and
Miss L.F. Cruickshanks

The engagement is announced between Richard, eldest son of the late A. Allan and Mrs E.M.G. Gordon, of Bearsden, Glasgow, and Lesley, only daughter of Mr and Mrs T.M. Cruickshanks, of Harare, Zimbabwe.

Mr J.G. Baker
and Miss L.A.E. Thompson

The engagement is announced between Jonathan, son of Mr and Mrs P.D. Baker, of Basingstoke, Hampshire, and Lee Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs H.L. Thompson, of Newtown Square, Pennsylvania, United States.

Mr C.G. Botsford
and Miss V.G. Brooks

The engagement is announced between Charles Graham, elder son of Mrs Jenny Botsford, of Islington, London, and the late Mr Robert Botsford, and Victoria Guthrie, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Simon Brooks, of Flax Bourton, Bristol.

Mr P.D. Butler
and Miss E.G. Reed

The engagement is announced between Piers, son of Mr and Mrs John D. Butler, and Lizzie, daughter of Mr John D. Reed and Mrs Peter Thompson.

Mr N. Davimes
and Miss V.H. Meredith

The engagement is announced between Neville, son of Mr and Mrs I. Davimes, of Knysna, Cape, South Africa, and Vivien *Helen, daughter of Mr and Mrs* I.M. Meredith, of Wyck Rissington, Gloucestershire.

Mr N.J.P. Fitzgerald
and Mrs B. O'Connell

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, only son of the late Mr Philip Fitzgerald and of Mrs Patricia Fitzgerald, of Leixlip, Co Kildare, and Beryl, younger daughter of the late Mr Gwyn Davies and of Mrs Rhoda Davies, of Tredegar, Gwent.

Mr N.R.H.J. Hall
and Miss *P.L. Pratt*

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, only son of the late Mr Archibald Robert Hall, DFC, and of Mrs Mervyn Temple-Richards, of Bark Place, London, and Philippa, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Graham Pratt, of Pulborough, Sussex and of Chiddingfold, Surrey.

Mr J.D. Pender
and Miss V.A. Holley

The engagement is announced between Jonathan, only son of Mr and Mrs Iain Pender, of Lavender Cottage, Kelsall, Cheshire, and Victoria, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Albert Holley, of Chartfield, Birchington, Kent.

Mr J.F.M. Peto
and Miss D. Wilson

The engagement is announced between Jimmy Peto, of Glan Cerrig, Llanfaglan, Caernarvon, Gwynedd, North Wales, and Dorothy Wilson, formerly of Cooper House, Selside, Cumbria.

Mr N.G.A. Rowley and
Miss B.M-J. Hayen-Fryns

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, only son of Mr and Mrs F.A. Rowley, of Boxalland Farm, Kirdford, West Sussex, and Béatrice, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.A. Hayen-Fryns, of Winning Van Runkst, Hasselt, Belgium.

Mr R.W. Scott
and Miss R.E. Synge

The engagement is announced between Richard William, youngest son of Mr and Mrs *J.W. Scott, of East Grinstead,* Sussex, and Rosalind Emma, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs P.J.F. Synge, of Taunton, Somerset.

Mr P.M. Sheehy and
Miss J.L. Whirledge

The engagement is announced between Patrick Michael, only *son of Mr and Mrs T.J. Sheehy,* of Tadworth, Surrey, and Jane Leonore, only daughter of Mr and Mrs T.L. Whirledge, of Margaret Roding, Essex.

Mr J.R. Sheldrick
and Miss J.C. Sankey

The engagement is announced between John, only son of Mr and Mrs Raymond Sheldrick, of Leatherhead, Surrey, and Jasmine, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Derek Sankey, of Pinner, Middlesex.

Science report

Cleaning up the Baltic

By Christopher Follett

The Danish government is mounting a campaign to stop the growing pollution of Denmark's seas and inland waterways at the mouth of the Baltic.

Danes were shocked last *autumn by reports* from the Danish Environmental Protection Agency that thousands of fish had been found dead due to pollution.

After a protracted debate between environmentalists and Denmark's powerful fish*eries and farming lobbies*, the government finally secured support for an emergency £1 billion, six-year anti-pollution plan to prevent the sea around Denmark from dying.

For a decade Danish marine experts had warned of a *creeping sea death because of* steadily growing nitrogen and phosphorous emissions into Denmark's inshore and offshore waters from agricultural fertilizers, industrial spillage, and waste effluent.

Last year the Danish Nature Conservation Society drafted a "Save the Seas Around Denmark" plan, which focussed on the pollution threat and formed the basis of the government legislation.

The government plans call for statutory limits and drastic cuts in nitrogen and phosphorous emissions, the grassing over of fallow fields in winter to reduce fertilizer seepage, and state-subsidised investments in liquid manure tanks on farms, cleansing plants and improved sewerage.

Mr Arne Nielsen, director of the Danish Environmental Ministry's Ocean Research Institute, said: "The government's measures should improve the state of Denmark's robust fjord systems and domestic sea and inland waterways within one to two years, but they will not have much effect on pollution in the rest of the Baltic".

Nature notes

Wind blown visitors

Last week two uncommon migrant birds were reported from many parts of England: Sabine's gull and the grey phalarope. Both species were almost certainly blown back by the gales as they were flying over the Bay of Biscay, on their way south from the Arctic Circle.

Sabine's gull is a striking bird with a broad black bar at the front of each wing, and a white triangle behind it; it is also the only gull with a deeply forked tail. The grey phalarope is a small silvery wader. Both birds were seen mostly on or around reservoirs.

Blackbirds are calling noisily at dawn, and occasionally breaking into soft, throaty song. Robins and wrens are back in full song again.

Most trees are now turning, but it is not a very colourful autumn in the south. The leaves have already been thinned out by the wind, and many of those remaining are shrivelling on the boughs.

Rowan trees are among the most vivid, with their leaves as red as their few surviving berries. Ash trees are still the greenest, though the black buds of next spring are already plump on the twigs. DJM

Dinner

Hospitallers' Club

Sir Stephen Miller, Hospitaller of the Order of St John and Patron of the Hospitallers' Club, presided at the club's sixty-second annual dinner held at the Imperial Hotel on October 24. Mr Barry Theobald, president, accompanied by Miss Sally Lloyd-Pearson received the guests. The principal guest and speaker was Mr Jack Waterhouse, vice-president, American Express UK and Ireland. Among those present were:

Lord and Lady Westbury, Sylvia Lady Wilkinson, the Rev Derek and Mrs Buxton, Dr and Mrs E C Dawson, Mr and Mrs J F Theobald, Mr and Mrs R J Theobald, The Rev Dietrich Shuld, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs R A Payne, Mr and Mrs D R Fenton, Mr and Mrs J H Gerrard, Don Victor Franco de Baux, Miss Rosemary Bailey, Dr C St John Buxton, Mr and Mrs C Stretton, Dr and Mrs T Evans, Miss H E Gribble and Mr J J Bond

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Domenico Scarlatti, *harpsichordist and composer*, Naples, 1685.

DEATHS: William Hogarth, London, 1764; Caroline Oliphant, Baroness Nairne, song writer, Gask, Tayside, 1845; Sir Aurel Stein, archaeologist, Kabul, 1943; Igor Sikorsky, pioneer of helicopters, Easton, Connecticut, 1972.

Parliament

Commons

Today (2.30): Debates on Opposition motions the possession and use of firearms and on consultations on the Government's education proposals.

Tomorrow (2.30) and Wednesday (2.30): Debate on the defence estimates.

Thursday (2.30): Resumed debate on second reading of the Scottish Development Agency Bill.

Friday (9.30): Debate on renewable sources of energy.

Lords

Today (2.30) and tomorrow (2.30): Criminal Justice Bill, committee, third and fourth days.

Wednesday (2.30): Debates on child health services, disabled.

Thursday (3): Criminal Justice Bill, committee, fifth day.

Marriages

Sir Patrick Reilly
and Lady Norrington

The marriage took place on Saturday in the Chapel of All Souls College, Oxford, of Sir Patrick Reilly to Lady Norrington. Father E. Yarnold, SJ, officiated, assisted by the Rev Dr J. McManners, Chaplain of the College, and Father A. McCormack.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her stepson, Sir *Christopher Waterlow*, was attended by her grandson, Benedict Please. Mr Edward Sykes was best man.

A reception was held in the College Hall.

Captain E.B.S. Mountain
and Miss C.S.J. Pownall

The marriage took place on Saturday at the Temple Church of Captain Edward Brian Stanford Mountain, The Blues and Royals, elder son of Sir Denis and Lady Mountain, of Shawford Park, near Winchester, Hampshire, to Miss Charlotte Sarah Jesson Pownall, daughter of Judge Henry Pownall, QC, and Mrs Pownall, of 57 Ringmer Avenue, London, SW6. The Master of the Temple and Prebendary C.E. Leighton Thomson officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Georgina Pownall, Felicity Millar, Philippa Mains, Edwina Jessel, Charlotte Bevan, Oliver Drabble and Charles Keyser. Captain Stuart Cowen was best man. A guard of honour was found by The Blues and Royals Mounted Squadron.

A reception was held at Inner Temple Hall and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr J. Rosier
and Miss S.A. Procter

The marriage took place on Saturday at St Mary's, Morecambe, of Mr John Rosier, youngest son of Air Chief Marshal Sir Frederick and Lady Rosier, of Llangollen, Clwyd, to Miss Sally Ann Procter, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs John C. Procter, of Morecambe, Lancashire. Father A. Keefe officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Deborah Galway, Miss Charlotte Kendall and *Miss Karen Foster*. Mr Christopher Alderson was best man.

A reception was held at The Old Rectory, Claughton, and the honeymoon will be spent in Rome.

Mr M.N. Grenside
and *Signorina P. Baldo*

The marriage took place on Saturday, October 17, at the Church of Santa Maria Assunta, Asolo, near Venice, between Mr Mark Nicholas Grenside, son of Sir John and Lady Grenside, of London, SW1, and Signorina Paola Baldo, daughter of Signor *and Signora Luigi* Baldo, of Oderzo, Italy.

Mr David Stevenson was best man.

The reception was held at the Villa Cipriani.

Mr S. Eyers
and Miss N. Keeling

The marriage took place at Chelsea Register Office, on Saturday, *October 24, of Mr Sam* Eyers, son of Mr and Mrs Patrick Eyers, of Emerald Park, Algiers, to Miss Nathalie Keeling, daughter of Mr David Keeling, of London, and the late Mrs Caroline Keeling.

Mr A.C. Garnett
and Miss A-L. Gurney

The marraige took place on Saturday, October 24, 1987, in Wymondham Abbey, Norfolk, of Mr Anthony Carnochan Garnett, elder son of Mr and Mrs Peter Garnett, of Quaker's Orchard, Peaslake, Surrey, and Miss Anne-Louise Gurney, daughter of Mr and Mrs James Gurney, of Bracon Lodge, Bracon Ash, Norfolk. The Rev Jonathan Riviere officiated assisted by the Rev Jolyon Bradshaw.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Lucy Holmes, Camilla Crabbe, Sophie Civardi, Miranda Kramer, Camilla Sulivan, *Emma Sturgis and Tom*, Edward and Oliver Dannatt and Jonny Riches. Mr Charles Bates was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride.

Mr J.C. Hopkins
and Miss S.J. Sporborg

The marriage took place on Saturday, October 24, at St Andrew's Church, Much Hadham, Hertfordshire, of Mr James Hopkins, son of Colonel and Mrs Derek Hopkins, of Orchard House, East Farndon, Market Harborough, Leicestershire, and Miss Sarah Sporborg, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Christopher Sporborg, of Walkers Farm House, Farnham, Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire. The Rev Michael McAdam officiated.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was attended by Eliza Sporborg, Chloe and Louisa Fox, Fiona Innes, Thomas Judd, William Goodhew, Charlotte Lane Fox and Emily Norman. Mr John Sunnucks was best man.

A reception was held at Walkers Farm House and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Mr S.C. Telfer
and Miss I.C.K. Robinson

The marriage took place on Saturday, October 17, at St Mary Redcliffe, Bristol, between Mr Steven Telfer, younger son of Mr and Mrs Andrew Telfer, of Chertsey, Surrey, and Miss Kate Robinson, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Robinson, of Clifton, Bristol. The Rev Graham Stimpson officiated, assisted by Canon David Frayne and the Rev Dave Pole.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Anna Robinson, Miss Judy Lexton, Miss Denise Hillman, Mark and Paul Telfer and Francis Dickenson. Mr Andrew Telfer, brother of the bridegroom, was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent in Corfu.

OBITUARY

DR ANDREI KOLMOGOROV

Giant of mathematics

Dr Andrei Kolmogorov, Russian mathematician, died in Moscow on October 20. He was 84. His unique distinction was to have been the living *embodiment of mathematical* probability, and to have had countless pupils and disciples the world over.

Andrei Nikolaevich Kolmogorov was born at Tambov on April 25, 1903. He was educated at Moscow University, where he subsequently taught as an instructor from 1925 until 1931, in which year he was made professor. He had held the chair of theory of probability since 1937.

Much important work in probability *had already* been done without benefit of any foundations, but his little book, published in German, "Foundations of the Calculus of Probabilities" (1933), immediately became the definitive formulation of the subject. This was no mere codification of the findings of others. It is studied with beautiful theorems now bearing his name: the famous Strong Law of Large Numbers is just one of these.

It further provided the essential basis for the study of stochastic ("random") systems dispersed in space and/or developing in time, and set the stage for the fruitful concept of a filtration of sigma-algebras representing the progressive swelling of the corpus of available information. This lies at the heart of the modern theory of random processes; it is an essential concept in the very idea of control theory, and it plays a vital role in Kolmogorov's later synthesis of information theory and ergodic theory.

Another later theme was a penetrating analysis of randomness itself from the standpoint of the theory of the complexity of algorithms. This has become a key idea hinting at a link between classical and statistical mechanics.

The theory of the smoothing and prediction of stationary time-theories is usually associated with the name of Norbert Wiener, another scholar of universal scope, but in fact it was developed simultaneously and independently by Wiener and by Kolmogorov during the Second World War.

Those random processes called "Markovian" have a specially simple predictive structure. Kolmogorov created the basic theory for these and also constructed pathological examples which are still receiving study.

He was interested in every branch of science; he and his pupils wrote about crystal growth, about the geometry of the interactions of plants, and also *made* significant contributions to "birth and death" processes and to genetics. One of these led to a head-on confrontation with Lysenko. Another joint work (with Piscounov and Petrovsky) treated the rate of advance of an advantageous gene in a linear environment (a topic studied independently by R. A. Fisher, for whom Kolmogorov had a high regard). This was later adapted to describe spreading of epidemics of innovations, and of rumours.

In 1941, Kolmogorov made a contribution of the greatest importance to the theory of turbulent fluid-flow; in two short papers he proposed hypotheses putting into concise mathematical form ideas about the stucture of the *small-scale components of* turbulent motion latent in earlier experimental work, particularly by G. I. Taylor.

According to these, the small-scale structure has a universal form determined by two parameters: one was the rate of dissipation of energy in the fluid and the other (relevant only to the smallest scales in which dissipation occurs) was the fluid viscosity. These hypotheses imply many qualitative results (following from dimensional arguments) that are widely applicable — what goes on, for example, within the turbulence that occurs in the wake of a jet aircraft.

Subsequent research has shown the hypotheses to be *valid to a good approxima*tion, though subtle refinement is needed because of the highly non-uniform or "spotty" nature of the energy dissipation in the fluid, as he himself showed two decades later.

In the long (and unfinished) history of research on turbulence there has perhaps been no contribution more important than these two papers published in English in 1941 in the *comptes rendus* (record of proceedings) of the Soviet Academy and (remarkably) delivered to libraries in Britain during the war.

In 1954, Kolmogorov made a seminal contribution to the fundamental problem of classical dynamics identified some fifty years earlier by the French mathematician Henri Poincaré in his study of the motion of the planets round the sun. The motion of a single planet (neglecting the others) provides an example of an "integrable" problem and is well understood.

The small effects associated with gravitational interaction between the planets introduces a profound qualitative change related to the fact that the governing equations are now, "non-integrable". The phase trajectories of the unperturbed integrable system lie on a family of nested toroidal (ring-shaped) surfaces (or "tori") in the phase space.

Kolmogorov's great achievement in 1954 was to demonstrate that a large set of these tori (the so-called non-resonant tori) survive the perturbation. This was a breakthrough in the study of general Hamiltonian systems in which the "K. A. M. tori" (named after Kolmogorov, his brilliant student V. I. Arnold, and J. Moser) play a pivotal role. Subsequent computational studies aptly confirm Kolmogorov's insights and have opened up the enormously fruitful field of "chaos in dynamical systems" which is currently attracting much attention. These studies could lead, for example, to more accurate weather forecasting.

Kolmogorov enjoyed the company of young people, and encouraged them by pointing out possibilities latent in their scientific ideas. He devoted much of his time to improving the teaching of mathematics in secondary schools in the Soviet Union, and in providing special schools for the mathematically gifted.

His dacha near Moscow became a meeting place for mathematicians. One of them said: "It is just like Oberwolfach (a mathematical *institute in the Black Forest*), except that here Kolmogorov buys all the drinks."

For many years he attempted to capture in quantitative form some aspects of Russian poetry, especially that of Pushkin. To hear him lecture about this, with examples, was fascinating whether one understood Russian or not. It is, perhaps, a matter of regret that none of his work in this area has been translated into English.

Kolmogorov was loved and *admired by colleagues in all* parts of the world. For two generations, each probabilistic compass needle has pointed to Moscow. The shock of losing him will be tempered only by gratitude for having known him and by the pleasure of recalling his memory with others.

MR RAYMOND FRANCIS

Mr Raymond Francis, who died on October 24, at the age of 76, was the star of the television police series *No Hiding Place*, in which he portrayed the character of detective inspector Tom Lockhart.

Francis was born in 1911. Before he became a television name, he had had a diverse acting career in and out of London. His easy control of the stage had developed through much pre-war work in provincial repertory which, he once said, was the happiest time of his life.

After six years in the Army, he was often in the West End in a sequence of parts that moved between Jackie, drinking companion of a man played by Kenneth More in Rattigan's *The Deep Blue Sea* (Duchess, 1952) and (in 1970, at the Vaudeville, with Margaret Lockwood) as the bluff, downright Admiral whom Lady Frederick copes with so firmly, in a revival of Somerset Maugham's play.

During the 1950s he took character parts in such popular British films as *Carrington VC*, *Reach for the Sky* and *Carve her Name with Pride*, while his television plays included *Laburnum Grove*, *The Devil's Disciple*, and *The Deep Blue Sea*.

He appeared also as Henry in Priestley's *Mr Kettle and Mr Moon* (Duchess, 1955) and in various plays during 1972 at the Shaw and the Royal Court.

He first played Lockhart (later, chief superintendent), the upright policeman, who took snuff and always got his man, in a half-hour series, *Murder Bag*, in the mid-1950s. The show was turned into the one-hour *No Hiding Place* in 1959 and ran until 1966, being extended for a further season by public demand.

It was ITV's answer to *Dixon of Dock Green*, presenting wholesome, straightforward stories and an image of the police as loyal, honest and invariably successful.

Enormously popular, *No Hiding Place* was a personal triumph for Francis, who became one of Britain's best known faces. But he suffered the penalty of typecasting, and when the series ended he did not act again on television for several years.

Eventually, he returned to the theatre in supporting roles, and, in 1974 (with Dinah Sheridan and Jack Watling), he was in a starring part as befitted his new status, in Francis Durbridge's thriller, *The Gentle Hook*, at the Piccadilly. More recently, he was seen on BBC Television in the *Miss Marple* series.

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PERSONAL COLUMNS

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

The Lord is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked.
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BIRTHS

BATTS - On October 21st to Jane (née Lancashire) and Greg, a son Alexander John Gregory, a brother for Emily.

CAMPBELL - On October 16th 1987, at Westminster Hospital, London SW1, to Annie (née Gifford) and Noel, a son, Michael James.

CHURTON - On October 22nd at St Andrews Hospital, Melbourne, Australia to Kate (née Tyrell-Kenyon) and Nigel, a son Oscar Vardon.

DALE - On October 22nd to Miranda (née Williams) and Simon, a daughter Virginia Sarah, a sister for Oliver and Thomas.

DUDLEY - to Susan (née Harrison) and Mark on October 18th, a daughter, Zoë Frances Lucy, a sister for Alexander and Julia.

GRIERSON - On October 15th, to Lydia (née Osterberg) and Colin, a son, Timothy Charles Robert.

HORNE - On October 13th at Simpson Memorial Maternity Pavilion, Edinburgh to Margaret and Timothy a son Colin David Fraser, a brother for Graeme.

HUGHES - On October 9th, to Katherine (née Peek) and James, a son Simon Timothy Edward.

KIGHTLEY - On October 2nd 1987 to Jenni and Michael, a son, James.

LATTIMER - On October 21st, to Linda and Bill, a daughter, Rebecca, a sister for Jonathan, Kate and Nicholas.

MAC GREGOR - On October 17th at Darlington, to Heather (Née Pepler) and Philip, a daughter, Emily Jean.

MARTIN-WRIGHT On October 23rd at Lindo Wing St Marys Paddington. To Lesley and Tim, a brother to Antonia: Alexander Charles Timothy.

O'SULLIVAN - On Wednesday March 21st, at Clinique L'Etoile, Aix-En-Provence, to Fiona and Dermot a daughter: Benedicte, a sister for Edouard and Camille.

THORNTON On October 22 in Melbourne to Freda and Simon, a daughter.

VINTON - On October 21st, to Anna and Fred, a son, George Oliver.

WHITE - On October 23rd in York to Carolne, née Allen, and Robin, a Daughter.

WRAY on Friday October 23rd at High Wycombe General to Louise (née Segrave) and Robert, a lovely daughter Emily Elizabeth. Congratulations and best wishes. Paul and Alex.

ADOPTIONS

de COURCY WHEELER - On October 13th 1987, by Nicky (née Bailward) and Louis, a daughter, Elizabeth Louise, now aged 5 months.

RUBY ANNIVERSARIES

MAHAFFY:PONSONBY - On 25th October, 1947 at All Saints, Ennismore Gardens, Rupert to Victoria. Now at 95 Studdridge Street, SW6 3TD.

DEATHS

ALLEN peacefully on 23rd October at the Bernard Sunley Home Woking. The Reverent Ernest Tarrant, M.A. M.U.S. B.A.C. Croix De Gerre. Husband of the late Winnifred Guest Allen and father of Michael and Anne in his 90 year. funeral at All Saints Woodham at 12 noon on Friday 30th October and afterwards at Woking Crematorium St Johns. Donations if desired to Friends Of The Elderly 42 Ebury Street. Lonodn SW1 WOLZ.

BAINES - On October 22nd, suddenly inCoggeshall, Essex. Francis Trevean (Frank), aged 72 years, only son of the late Sir Frank and Lady Rhoda Baines. Funeral at St Peters Church, Coggeshall, on Wednesday 28th October at 12.00 noon.

CLARKE - On October 21st 1987, at Brompton Hospital, Marjorie Violette (née Kent). Much loved widow of George and mother of Michael and Wendela, grandmother of Richard, Neil, Harriet, Jonathan, Henry, Emily and greatgrandmother of Eugenie. Funeral service at West Norwood Crematorium, Norwood Road, on Friday October 30th at 2.30pm. Flowers (not white) may be sent to A. Yeatman & Sons, 384 Norwood Road, London, SE27 9AA.

COMPTON - On October 21st, suddenly at home, Paul Walter Compton, D.S.C. Much loved father and grandfather. Cremation at Eastbourne Crematorium at 11.30am on Thursday November 5th. No flowers please, but donations, if desired, to British Heart Foundation, c/o R. Jarvis, High Street, Croff-in-Hand, Heathfield 2833.

GLOVER - On October 23rd, peacefully at home, Lee, beloved wife of Colin Glover. No flowers please.

GOBLE - On Friday, October 23rd 1987, peacefully, Agnes May, beloved sister of Helen and Grace. Funeral Service at St. Paul's Church, Four Elms on Friday, November 6th at 11.00am. Family flowers only please. Donations to Edenbridge Hospital, League of Friends.

HARRISON - On October 23rd, at a nursing home, peacefully, Edith, much loved sister of Tony, formerly of Blackheath High School. Funeral service at Bramley (near Guildford) Parish Church at 1.00pm on Thursday, October 29th. Enquiries to Guildford 893138.

HUCKER - On October 22nd 1987, peacefully at his home aged 62 years, Bryan, beloved husband of Anne, father of Mark, Simon and Sarah. Funeral service at Stoke-by-Nayland Church on Friday October 30th at 11am followed by Cremation at Colchester. Family flowers only please, donations if desired for Stoke-by-Nayland Church Restoration Fund, c/o Robert J Parker & Son, Funeral Directors, 37 North Street, Sudbury, Suffolk. Tel: 0787 70909.

LAMPRELL On October 20 tragically lost, Sue Fillingham, aged 39 and Malcolm Lloyd, aged 40, of High Wych, Herts, dearly beloved by Mother Jo, daughters Sarah, Lisa and Lucy, family and many friends. Funeral to be held on Thursday October 29 at High Wych Church, Sawbridgeworth, Herts at 2.30pm. Flowers to the church.

LEVINSON - On October 23rd, suddenly in London, Barry. Dearly beloved husband of Janet and very much loved father of Andra. Funeral at Golders Green Crematorium on Wednesday October 28th 3.45pm. Memorial service will be held later. Flowers and enquiries to: W. Garstin & Son, 10 Chiltern Street, W1. Tel: 01 935 4868.

LUSHINGTON - On October 22nd 1987, unexpectedly at Loose, Maidstone. Cicely Gwynne (Née Kershaw) widow of Godfrey. Funeral Sevice at All Saint's Church, Loose on Thursday October 29th at 11.15am. Followed by Cremation at Vinters Park. Family flowers only, but donations may be made to National Trust Storm Disaster Appeal.

PIGGOTT On Tuesday October 20th suddenly, tragically but peacefully in London aged 77. Henry George, of Esher, Surrey, affectionately known as Jim, dearly beloved and devoted husband of over 48 years to Peggy and wonderful and greatly loved father of Keith and David. He will be enormously missed by his family and all who were fortunate to know or meet him for his vitality, cheerfulness and great character. His love of people and being with them together with his sense of fun brought great happiness into others lives. Funeral at St James Church, Church Street, Weybridge, Surrey 12.30 p.m. Wednesday October 28th. Flowers to Frederick Chitty & Co Ltd, 45 Elmgrove Road, Weybridge. Telephone (0932) 842220.

REID - On October 21st, in his 79th year, Robert Gerrett Reid F.R.C.S., formerly surgeon at the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading. Cremation private.

SMITH On October 21 1987, suddenly at home, Mia, beloved wife of the late Geoffrey and darling mother of Sonja. Requiem Mass at St Edward the Confessor, 700 Finchley Road, Golders Green, on Wednesday October 28 at 11.45am. Flowers may be sent to A. France & Son Ltd, 45 Lamb's Conduit Street, WC1. Tel 01 405 4901.

TAYLOR - On October 21st, at Heathrow Airport en route to Turin, Roy Kenneth, aged 58 years. Reader in Engineering Geology, School of Engineering and Applied Science, University of Durham. Much loved husband of Val and beloved father of Alex and Tandy. Funeral Service Thursday 29th October at 12.30 pm at St Oswalds Church, Church Street, Durham, prior to Cremation at Durham Crematorium. Would friends please meet at the Church.

TAYLOR - On October 21st, suddenly but peacefully Randal H. Taylor. Funeral at St. James's Church, Longdon, Near Rugeley on Thursday, October 29th at 2.00pm. Family flowers only. Donations welcome to Mrs Osborne, NSPCC Headquar, 67 Saffron Hill, London EC1N 8RS.

VIRGO - On October 23, peacefully at home, Doris Marion, aged 85 of Westhumble. Wife of the late Jim Virgo, beloved mother of Keith and adored Grandma of Fiona and Bridget. Funeral Mickleham Parish Church at 2.15 p.m. Friday October 30, followed by cremation at Leatherhead. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired to Hospice Home Care Surrey, c/o Sherlocks, Trellis House, South Street, Dorking.

WADDY - On October 23rd, peacefully, Margaret Elizabeth (née Young) aged 82, for 53 years loved wife of Reverend R. P. Stacy Waddy of 21 Cattistock Rd, Maiden Newton, Dorset and mother of Christopher and of Stacy Marking. Service at St Mary's, Maiden Newton. On Tuesday, October 27th, 12.30.pm. No flowers please, but lots of letters.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

WOLFF - A Memorial Meeting to celebrate the life of Marc M Wolff will be held in Lincoln's Inn Old Hall, Chancery Lane WC2 on Wednesday November 11th 1987 at 5.30pm.

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

COWELL - In happy and loving memory of Captain Patrick James Cowell D.S.C. and Bar, Royal Navy. Devoted husband, father, father in law and grandfather, and brave defender of this Realm. Born 15/8/10, died 26/10.85.

GILES - Eve. In loving memory of my darling wife who passed away on October 26th 1986. I miss you, my darling. And will always love you forever. Peter.

Piper plays his way to victory for third time

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The overall winner of the Glenfiddich trophy in William Grant & Sons' centenary year was Murray Henderson, who won the event for the third time.

He came second in the piobaireachd in the Glenfiddich Piping Championship with Malcolm MacCrimmon's magnificent *Lament for Donald Ban MacCrimmon*. He was also second in the ceol bag, playing *Major Manson*, *The Shepherd's Crook* and *Cabar Feidh*.

The winner of the Highland Society of London's Quaich for the piobaireachd was Iain MacFadyen, who played *The Battle of the Pass of Crieff*. A previous winner of the championship four times, he came third overall.

The first American piper to compete in this event, Mike Cusack, won the Redfearn National Glass Trophy for march, strathspey and reel.

Another piper who has competed in all 14 championships, Hugh MacCallum, came third in both parts of the event.

Dr Angus MacDonald was fourth in the piobaireachd, Ronald MacShannon came fifth, and fourth in the ceol beag. James MacGillivray, from Canada, came fifth in the ceol beag.

Service dinners

HMS Forward
Superintendent M.A. Guy, WRNR, Commanding Officer, received the guests at a dinner held on Saturday at HMS Forward, Royal Naval Reserve Training Centre, Birmingham, to commemorate the Battle of Trafalgar. Lieutenant Commander Q.D. McGill presided and Captain J.R. McCleary, American Naval Attaché, proposed the toast to the Immortal Memory.

4th Battalion, The Loyal Regiment (TA)
Lieutenant-Colonel R.R. Rainford presided at the annual officers dinner of the former 4th Battalion, The Loyal Regiment (North Lancashire) (TA) held on Saturday at Fulwood Barracks, Preston.

Royal Engineers (PCS)
Brigadier R.J.N. Kelly presided at the annual reunion dinner of Officers of the Royal Engineers (Postal and Courier Services) held on Saturday at Simpson's-in-the Strand. The Director General Logistic Policy for the Army, the Chairman of the Post Office, the Commander of the United States Army Postal Group, Europe, the Commander of the United States Forces Courier Service and the Director of the Canadian Forces Postal Service were among those present.

43rd Gurkha Lorried Brigade
Major W.C. Rogers presided at a dinner of the 43rd Gurkha Lorried Brigade Reunion Association held on Saturday at the RAC. Lieutenant-Colonel J.A. Anderson, Commander, 6th Queen Elizabeth's Own Gurkha Rifles, was the principal. Others present included Major Chinta Bahadur Gurung and the New Zealand Defence Attaché.

Waggon Club
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Notice of Meeting
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(a) Ordinary Business
1. Accounts and Reports: To receive and consider the Balance Sheet of the Company at 30 June, 1987, the Profit and Loss Account of the Company together with the Group Accounts of the Company and its Subsidiaries for the year ended 30 June, 1987, the Statement by Directors and the Reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon.
2. Dividend: To declare the dividend in respect of the year ended 30 June, 1987.
3. To elect Directors: Mr. P.W. Allsebrook CBE, Mr. J. Landerer, Mr G.J. Rich and Mr. C.H. Sparborg retire by rotation in accordance with Article 101 of the Company's Articles of Association. Each of these Directors, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.
(b) Special Business
4. To consider and if thought fit, pass with or without modification the following resolution (which to be duly passed requires to be passed by a majority of not less than three-fourths of such members of the Company as being entitled so to do, vote in person or by proxy) namely:
"That Sir Arthur George AO, who is now aged 72 years, to be re-appointed a Director to hold office until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company".
5. To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modification, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:
"That all the issued Ordinary Stock Units of 50 cents each in the capital of the Company be converted into an equal number of fully paid Ordinary Shares of 50 cents each and that any Ordinary Shares of 50 cents each issued henceforth shall not be converted automatically into Ordinary Stock Units".

Explanatory Note:
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"That until otherwise determined by the Company in General Meeting the number of Directors shall not be more than eighteen".

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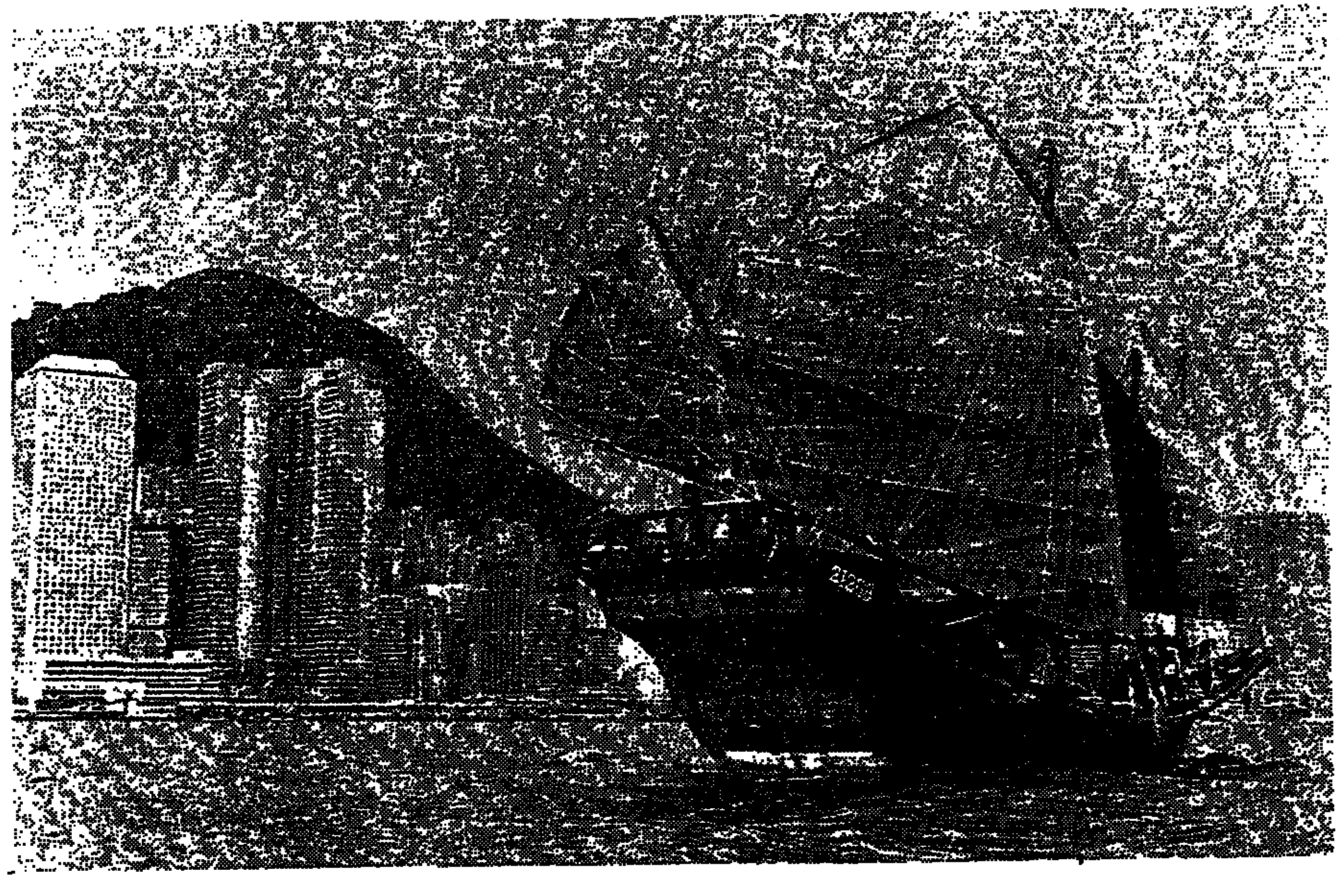
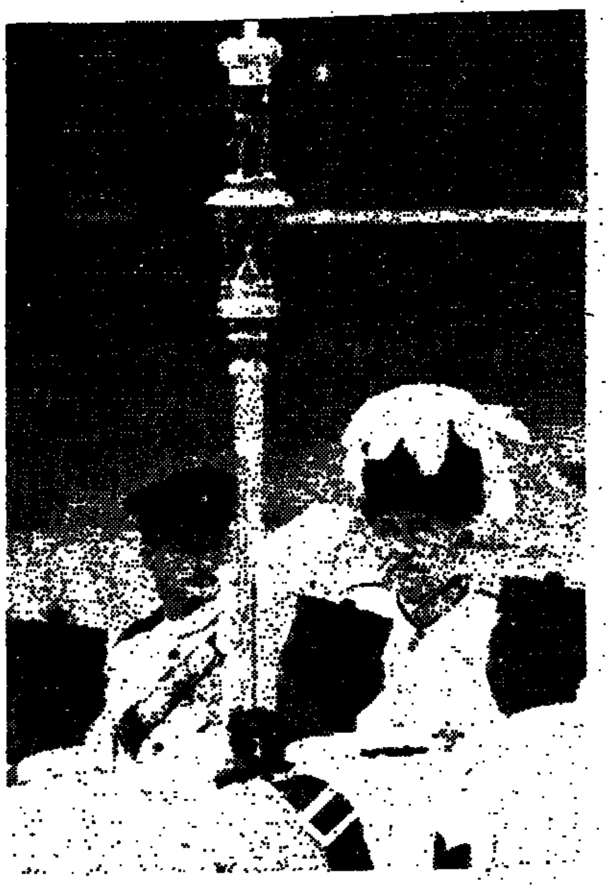
The strong spirit of mercantilism which has driven Hong Kong since 1841 shows no signs of abating. But the Governor, Sir David Wilson, right, and his Chinese subjects face political uncertainty not only in the run-up to 1997 when the territory cedes to China but beyond says **David Bonavia**





Countdown for the crucial 10 years

Public controversy in Hong Kong this year has been dominated by one issue. Should there be direct elections to its legislature soon or in the 1990s in advance of the territory's reversion to Chinese sovereignty as a Special Administrative Region, in 1997?

Sir David Wilson, new Governor since April 9 has taken a low-key approach to this issue for the time-being, evidently awaiting the results of a survey of public opinion on direct elections.

Li Hou, Chinese Chairman of the Basic Law Drafting Committee which is drawing up a mini-constitution for Hong Kong, has shrugged off discussion of the elections saying: "The issue should not be written into the Basic Law." He said it was illogical to compile regulations for elections before the Basic Law is finalized some two years from now.

Martin Lee and Szeto Wah, prominent campaigners in favour of early institution of direct elections, have said they want to supervise the activities of the Chinese Communist Party in Hong Kong.

If a system of political parties were formed here, it is likely that the Chinese party would field its own candidates who would have the organizational ability to get their supporters out to the polling booths and perhaps carry the elections.

In accordance with that thinking, liberal reformers here are opposed to the formation of political parties, in what until a few years ago was a community devoid of political activity.

Politics entered the Hong Kong arena with the negotiation of the 1984 Joint Declaration by Britain and China on the future of Hong Kong. But politically active figures are rather few in number and lacking in experience.

They are concerned both with democratic rights in the future SAR and with the maintenance of Hong Kong's prosperity and stability, the phrase agreed on by China and Britain in 1983.

Under the agreement, Hong Kong will retain its economic and cultural freedom and the British-style legal system for 50 years after 1997. Peking is particularly concerned that Hong Kong should remain a free port and a free financial centre, as these factors account for its enormous financial importance, to China.

HONG KONG FILE

- **Population: 5.5 million**
- **Size: 1036 sq km, including**
- **235 islands**
- **Port: second-biggest container port in world**
- **Total global trade: £44.1 billion**
- **Main industries: Garments, electronics, toys, watches**

China would have preferred the British to hand over Hong Kong precisely as it was in 1983 from the administrative point of view. They are suspicious of British moves to put in place a democratic system much more authentic than that *operating in the rest of China.*

It is obviously embarrassing for China to tolerate freedoms in Hong Kong when other minority areas — such as Tibet — have nothing comparable.

On the other hand, Britain could hardly, as a leading democracy, be seen to turn over six million of its Chinese subjects to a communist regime, without knowing what style of government will be in Peking after 1997.

China is worried by the number of wealthy, professional and skilled people emigrating to Canada, the US and Australia, fearing a "brain drain" which would affect Hong Kong's efficient operation.

According to the leading English daily *South China Morning Post*, the Governor told the Chinese authorities during a recent visit to Peking that the Hong Kong government's credibility would be at risk if local views were not reflected in a forthcoming White Paper on political reform.

Meanwhile Hong Kong is in yet another economic boom period, with luxury high-rise apartments still going up in large numbers, tourism increasing yearly, and the vital garments industry with full order books. Fears of trade protectionism in the US assailed Hong Kong manufacturers earlier this year, but the matter has been shelved for the time being.

Many wealthy Chinese families have already moved most of their capital out to the countries whose citizenship they are planning to take, meanwhile returning to speculate with the smaller part of their capital.

Some economists are worried that increasing labour costs will negate Hong Kong's relatively low industrial wages in competition with South Korea, Taiwan and Singapore. The electronics industry depends mainly on Japanese chips.

The labour shortage — Hong Kong has virtually full employment — also threatens to raise the local manufacturers' costs, and illegal immigrants from China and Vietnam are still trying to sneak into the British-ruled territory in search of work.

The mass of the population who have no prospects for emigration to highly developed countries will make their peace with the mainland authorities when the time comes. Meanwhile few are willing to stick their necks out in defence of liberal principles.Fewer still believe Peking's statements that it will not send cadres from North China or Guangdong Province to supervise the mainland's sovereign interests in Hong Kong.

The Peking political leadership remains the key to Hong Kong's future. If the present "open door" policy continues, Hong Kong need have no great fears. But if a hard-line leader should come to power and clamp down on that policy, even at a high cost in revenues, it could gradually turn into a ghost town. It is the object of all interested parties to ensure this does not happen.

But in the end it will be the complexion of the new Chinese leadership — as determined by last week's opening of the 13th congress of the Chinese Communist Party in Hong Kong.

But Hong Kong cannot forever thrive on China's poverty and need for the developmental expertise available here. China, for instance, may become more of a competitor for textiles and garment imports.

The prospect of change of sovereignty has deterred many local manufacturers from research and development and diversifying exports. However, a potential benefit of the exodus of successful business people to Canada may help Hong Kong in that from their adopted home they will continue to do business with other manufacturers in the territory.

Meanwhile the British and Hong Kong Governments are eager for a trouble-free transition to Chinese sovereignty. They will be quietly pleased if the public-opinion survey carried out recently shows that informed people here believe it would be best to wait a few years until the Basic Law has been drafted with the consultation of prominent local people.

Export-led boom that came as a surprise

But Leo Goodstadt says there could be tougher days ahead

Hong Kong is caught in an economic boom of unexpected and impressive proportions. Earlier this year, the government forecast that GDP (gross domestic product) growth in 1987 would be about 6 per cent in real terms, slightly below the 1986 performance but above average for the previous five years.

Surprisingly, September saw this official prediction revised sharply upwards to 12 per cent, which will break all growth records since 1977. Yet even this new forecast is regarded by economists in the commercial sector as excessively conservative; real growth for the year could turn out to be close to 15 per cent, officials concede.

The dimensions of the boom have come as such a surprise because the growth has been fuelled by the export sector. The original government forecast was that, this year, domestic exports would grow by 7 per cent and re-exports by 13 per cent. The general expectation was that, compared with 1986, expansion in the export sector would be sluggish.

This forecast proved completely false. The latest estimate is that domestic exports will increase by 20 per cent and re-exports by 37 per cent. Hong Kong has not achieved this scale of export growth since 1976.

In Hong Kong, where total exports stand at around 90 per cent of GDP, the breakneck expansion of foreign trade has spilled over into the rest of the economy in terms of increased prosperity for virtually every sector.

The stock market has been a prominent beneficiary — until the international crash last week which suspended trading on the Hong Kong stock exchange for one week after the Hang Seng Index plunged 420 points on October 19, wiping HK$65 billion (about £5 billion) off the value of the crown colony's shares. Before this fall, the Hang Seng Index of share prices rose by 50 per cent in the first nine months of 1987, compared with less than 20 per cent for the same period last year.

The slacker rate of growth in Singapore and nervousness about Tokyo prices during the year have made Hong Kong look even more attractive.

Demand for workers is so keen that a quarter of all men aged 70 to 74 are believed to hold jobs. The latest statistics on per capita earnings for the manufacturing sector show workers to be 12 per cent better off than in 1986.

The chronic labour shortage is considered the main threat to double-digit economic growth for 1988. As orders for Hong Kong products continue to pour in from the European Community and North America, manufacturers cannot find the extra workers to make possible further expansion of production capacity.

Hong Kong's light industrial basis is believed to be close to its absolute output capacity, unless additional workers can be found. For this reason, senior government sources warn that 1988 performance, almost certainly, must slow down since the British colonial administration remains totally opposed to allowing an influx of Chinese immigrants.

A happy 1987: a year of prediction-defying success as a child lifts up a traditional symbol of good fortune

In 1983, Sino-British negotiations over the territory's future reached an impasse that led to a collapse of confidence and a slump in the exchange rate.

Currency stability was restored by linking the Hong Kong dollar to its American counterpart at a rate of US$1 — HK$7.80. This linked rate created difficulties for the vital export sector while the US dollar was still appreciating.

But since the second quarter of 1985, the downturn in the American currency's parity has automatically weakened the Hong Kong dollar against such major currencies as the pound, the mark and the yen.

Appreciation of the Japanese yen has also proved a boon for Hong Kong. Foreign buyers accustomed to finding export bargains in Japan as long as Tokyo could maintain an undervalued yen now feel compelled to look further afield in the Asian region for alternative suppliers, with Hong Kong an obvious first port of call.

Hong Kong businessmen worry increasingly about what will happen once the American currency touches bottom.

Can Hong Kong exports continue to find new overseas outlets if a stable or even stronger exchange rate forces *exports prices to firm up?*

The consensus is that the current momentum would continue for two or three quarters once the exchange-rate advantage disappeared but that, thereafter, Hong Kong exporters would find sales a much tougher task.

The exception when it comes to the currency factor is China. In overall terms, China has become Hong Kong's biggest trading partner. In part, this relationship reflects the territory's dependence on the Chinese domestic economy for such essential supplies as fresh food, as well as for consumer goods and industrial inputs.

Thus, in the first half of 1987, domestic exports to China grew by 65 per cent in real terms, despite appreciation of the Hong Kong currency against its Chinese counterpart.

For the local business community, China increasingly controls not just the long-term political destinies but its short-term economic performance.

More important still are investment attitudes. Businessmen speak with growing frankness about the years up to 1991 as the last opportunity to make maximum *capitalist* profits before the influence of the Chinese communist party has to be taken into serious account.

Chinese officials promise that they will succeed in convincing Hong Kong's sceptical entrepreneurs that the Chinese Communist Party will not affect local business after the British withdrawal. The intention, Beijing repeatedly stresses, is to allow Hong Kong capitalism to flourish.

These assurances are not enough for Hong Kong Chinese families with first-hand experience of life on the mainland under Chinese communism. The brain drain goes on unchecked and makes the gloomier observers believe that this decade will see Hong Kong's last economic boom.

Sir David faces up to the problems

Sir David Wilson has shown himself to be an astute and affable administrator in the first six months of his term as Governor of Hong Kong, *writes David Bonavia*. But he has kept a low political profile, devoting much of his time to familiarization tours and meeting people.

He has shown a keen sense of public relations and is winning the respect of an initially suspicious press corps. But he has difficult problems ahead, including the issue of direct elections to the legislative council and the sensitivities of the communist party leaders in Peking, under which Hong Kong will become a Special Administrative Region in 1997.

Just as important — more so, in the long run — is the need to stave off trade protectionism in the US.

He has recently visited that country and Canada, to put Hong Kong's case for exemption from protectionist measures, in view of its special problems and the virtual absence of tariff or non-tariff barriers to imports.

Sir David, a Foreign Office man who might be thought likely to lean towards pleasing Peking, has stood out as a staunch believer in the mercantilism that has made Hong Kong so successful.

He told *The Times*: "We have to have and maintain a dynamic economy. We must move from quantity to quality."

This recognition of the realities of the Hong Kong system was doubtless in his mind when he flatly turned down the long-standing proposal to establish a central provident fund for items such as health and social welfare.

Private money going overseas

Already much money — mainly that of wealthy Chinese *business people* — has left Hongkong for Canada and other main countries of resettlement. But when a family is assured of its Canadian or American citizenship, one or more member often return to continue doing business in Hongkong.

Hong Kong's perpetual headache is that of refugees — those who have come direct from Vietnam, those who have been resettled in southern China but still hope to emigrate to more prosperous places and the usual pressure of illegal immigrants or people born in China who are looking for better-paying work in the British territory.

The Vietnam refugees could cause "intolerable social tensions," Sir David said. "We can only plan on settling them." About 7,000 refugees who have come direct from Vietnam by boat are in closed camps, because if allowed out to work they will not only create a security risk, but it will encourage others to follow them."

The idea of repatriating refugees to Vietnam could be considered. But then "the world community would want to be assured that the people will not be treated inhumanely."

It is on this basis that Hong Kong continues to repatriate to Chia all Chinese illegal immigrants it can catch; the penalties for sneaking across the Hong Kong border, if the culprits are caught, are slight. The Governor himself was nearly detained recently by a British Gurkha soldier when he strayed too close to the land frontier on an outing.

Divided views on elections

A big test awaiting Sir David is his handling of the results of the public opinion survey on direct elections, which should be concluded by the end of this month. The number of voluntary responses by comparison with those on other political topics has been encouraging; more than 134,000 submissions, which will be presented to the legislative council in November.

"Articulate opinion has taken a great role in this," the Governor said. "It is clear from public comments that there are divided views on 1988 or later" for the institution of direct elections. "Another interesting thing will be public opinion polls, because they will give a picture of what the large majority think."

On the question of importing foreign labour from the Philippines or elsewhere to boost the supply in full-employment Hong Kong, the Governor said: "We are against massive imports of labour. It is right that our own workers should benefit first. It would create a huge human problem."

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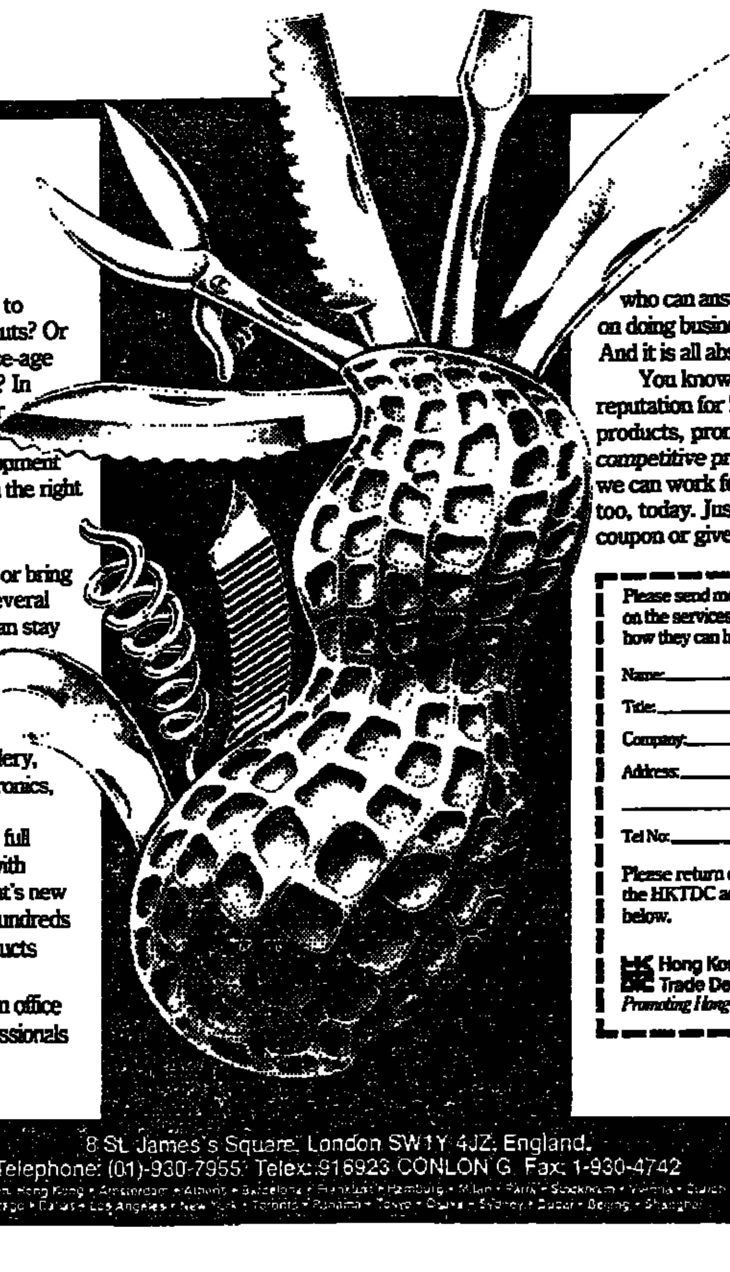

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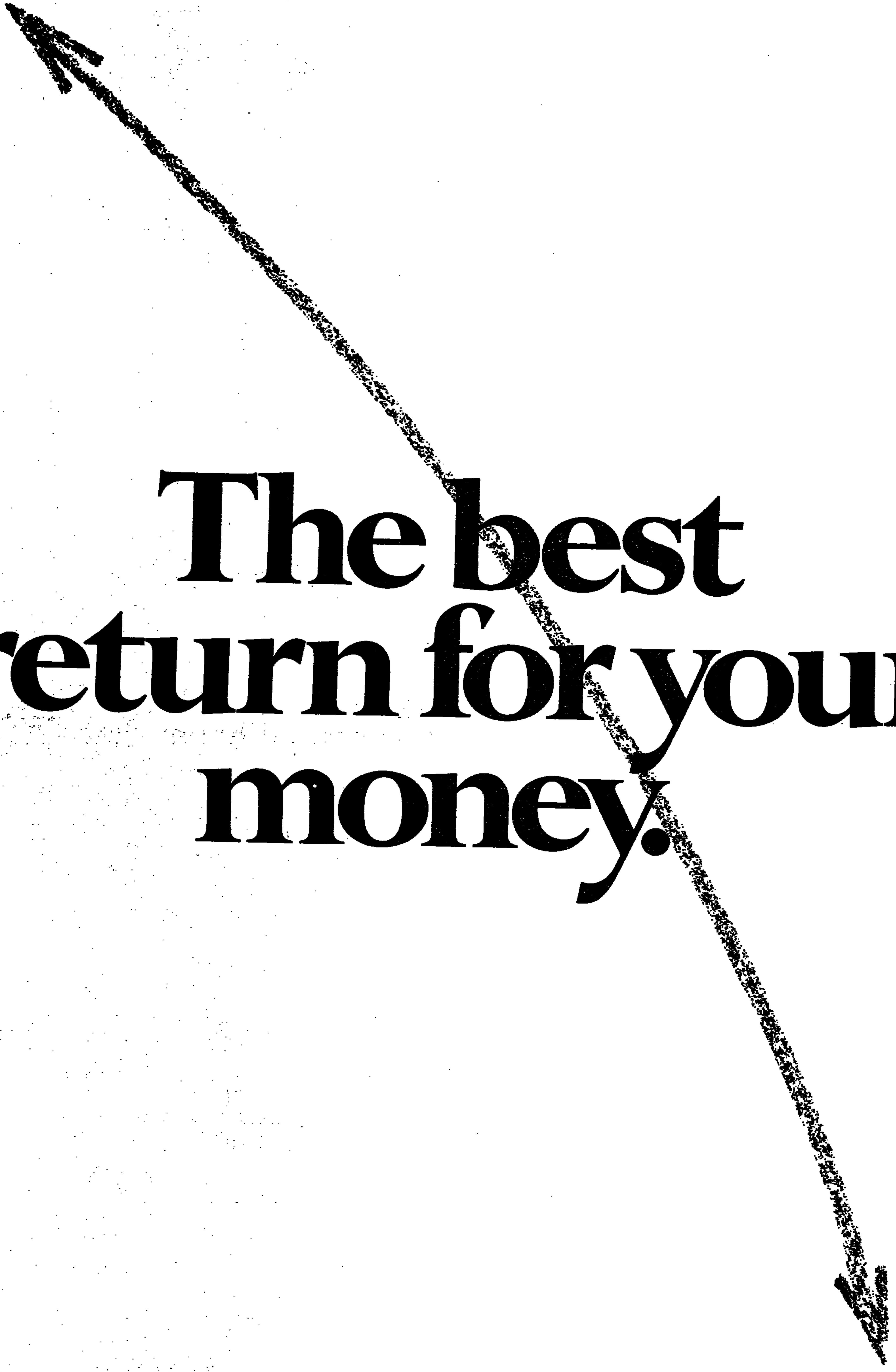

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Hard work, bright ideas and a little luck can still make many men rich in Hong Kong

There was a time, not far distant, when it was commonly said that Hong Kong was run by the Royal Hong Kong Jockey Club, with its controlling committee drawn from the great and good.

The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and Jardine Matheson in that order, with the Governor somewhere in fourth place.

Hong Kong is a place where almost every possible kind of enterprise — from selling soup on the curbside to major commercial operations — is pursued in an atmosphere of fierce optimism.

Tax rates are low and the government's general policy is one of minimal interference. A general conviction reigns that with hard work, bright ideas and a little luck, a man can start in a small way and end up a millionaire.

The tremendous acceleration of growth here, probably greater than anywhere else in the world has produced great changes in attitudes and performance.

The scene has grown more varied. Some giants have fallen away from formerly commanding positions and others have risen, like the international banks, service groups like Cable and Wireless and trading companies like Inchcape.

At a lower level, scores of independent factories employing fewer than 30 workers are now accounting for at least 60 per cent of the territory's gross product.

American, Japanese and Australian interests are all increasing, and more phenomenally Mainland China's Citic, China International Trust and Investment Corp. has now become an impressive part of the scene, buying into Hong Kong's own airline, Cathay Pacific and acquiring a stake in the multi-billion project to build a second cross-harbour tunnel.

There is still a significant British presence but the general picture is far more dynamic and international than even a few years ago.

But the last eight or ten years have seen a significant loosening-up process. Big local tycoons like Li Ka-shing and Sir Y K Pao and Gordon Wu are names in the news; Japanese building contractors and department stores are prominent.

Hong Kong Land, formerly the biggest land and property company in the world, is now mainly concentrating its activities on an inner core of super-class properties in Hong Kong's central district.

Far-reaching changes of recent years have sometimes developed as a reaction to the 1997 handover-of-sovereignty signals.

Some older firms responded to the signs of change by cutting back in Hong Kong and moving their headquarters elsewhere. By doing so, in the view of their critics, they lost important opportunities and put themselves into second and third positions where they had previously been number-one runners.

Local tycoons: Sir Y K Pao, the Shanghai magnate of the Wharf group and above, Simon Murray, the managing director of Li Ka-shing's Hutchison empire

This was a repeat performance of events in 1967 when China's Cultural Revolution, spilling its excesses over the border into Hong Kong, had numbers of the territory's entrepreneurs badly frightened.

Property prices were collapsing all round them. The winners were those who stayed, acquired quarter-price bargains and sometimes emerged as the growing giants of the early 1970s.

These included Hong Kong's leading capitalist, Li Ka-shing. In the 1960s he was a successful manufacturer of plastic flowers and watch straps but then he moved into property and by the mid-1970s he was already a very rich man.

Then the British-run Hutchison empire drifted into trouble after the 1967 riots, and the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank came to the rescue by buying 30 per cent of it, and when they wanted to shed the load they sold it to Li Ka-shing.

So Li came into the big time by acquiring the controlling interest of an old-established British "Hong" or business house.

Another great bastion of British interests, the Wharf Group was acquired afterwards by the Shanghai magnate, Sir Y K Pao.

Analysts say there is nothing particularly racial in these changes. It is not a question of effete British being edged out by more industrious and quickwitted Chinese.

For instance John Swire and Sons, long established in Hong Kong, and one of the most successful businesses in the whole of the Far East, is managed on western lines although their board includes a formidable Chinese element in senior Legislative Council member Miss Lydia Dunn.

According to Simon Murray, Li Ka-Shing's right hand man and managing director of Hutchison, Chinese and British working together make a formidable team.

In recent years many big hongs have either moved their headquarters abroad, or bought into foreign companies, or moved part of their assets out of Asia.

Jardine Matheson Holdings Ltd, shifted its legal domicile to Bermuda in 1984. Just recently it acquired a 20 per cent stake in Bear Sterns Co of the US.

Other major concerns, including the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank and Li Ka-shing's Cheung Kong (Holdings) Ltd, have embarked on expansion overseas. These moves have been sometimes cited as showing decreasing confidence in Hong Kong's future after the 1997 handover.

However company spokesmen are quick to reject such views. Simon Murray says: "Even without 1997 we still have to diversify. Li Ka-shing companies represent just over 20 per cent of the total market capitalisation of Hong Kong.

"We believe that Hong Kong will come through 1997 very well, provided we don't lose our nerve. Provided Hong Kong stays prosperous the Chinese will want to keep it going."

Anthony Lawrence

Of ghosts and goodies in the Haiphong Rd

Beneath spectacular thickets of indiscipherable Chinese characters lie the streets of Kowloon's Golden Mile, so named for the disorientating number of camera, hi-fi, jewelry and ivory shops.

Here, visitors are lured like so many solvent moths towards Hong Kong's duty-free, air-conditioned emporia along the Nathan Road.

Close by, in Haiphong Road, and to the Cantonese strains of *Can't Buy Me Love*, you hardly notice an old lady burning a small pile of colourful money and fruit paper cut-outs on the pavement.

It is, in fact, the month when ghosts are let out of Hades to roam unhappily about Hong Kong. The good lady is simply trying to appease the hungry phantoms with paper offerings, according to the Chinese custom in September of Yue-Len – the festival of the hungry ghosts

Not quite what you might expect in one of the world's fastest-moving money making centres, where skyscrapers on Hong Kong Island glitter below the Peak like so many pieces in a chess game, signalling billion dollar investment moves.

But despite this affluent veneer of western sophistication and British influence that dates back to 1841, Chinese traditions continue to dominate Hong Kong life.

Surprisingly, the ideal place from which to contemplate this fact is the Hilton swimming pool. A surreal oasis in the heart of the financial district, it is surrounded by futuristic skyscrapers like the mirrored Bond Centre and thegrey tubular structure of the new Hong Kong and Shanghai bank — Hongkong's most expensive building at HK$5 billion.

One recent visitor was visibly fazed by a tour of this space-age building. As we stood on a transport interchange area, perfectly cushioned in white sound and calmed by paler shades of grey, our guide told us that the escalators from the public plaza to level one were designed to confuse the sea dragon.

Should one of the nine dragons that bathe in Victoria Harbour wander into the bank, it would be confused by the movement and pass through. This is good *Fung Shui*.

Feng Shui is taken seriously here. It literally means wind and water and is described as a quasiscientific land surveying technique. The *Fung Shui* Master employs a compass-like instrument with eight points representing the elements and various animals.

It is based on the principle of Ch'i, the spirit which animates the elements yin (passive and female) and yang (active and male). The object is to obtain a harmonious movement of spirits within a place — and keep evil ones away.

The bank was obliged to call in the *Fung Shui* man, our guide said, otherwise employees would not be happy. With good *Fung Shui* the money flows in, with bad it flows out.

Across Victoria Harbour at the Regent hotel on the waterfront, Rudy Griener, the manager, is a happy man. His hotel, only seven years old, is one of Hong Kong's most sought after.

The reason: good *Fung Shui* for the lobby is dominated by a huge panoramic window facing the water. This allows the dragons access to their favourite swimming spot in the harbour, for they can pass easily through glass but are confused by doors.

As the hotel's Lynn Grebstad reiterates "nobody wants nine irritated dragons stranded in the lobby". But it is not only the omens which are good.

There can be few places like the Regent's Lai Ching Heen, where it is possible to eat from translucent jade bowls with ivory and silver chopsticks, supported on carved jade fish holders in a setting which evokes China's sumptuous past, even though a close eye is kept on the chopsticks.

Hollywood Road: one of the best hunting grounds for antiques. Below, the local passion of Dragon Boat racing at Shaukiwan

If you have time to explore beyond Kowloon, glimpses of the black-hatted Hakka women can be seen in the New Territories, where duck farms and fish ponds around Mai Po seem to capture the essence of days gone by.

Walking remains the best way to absorb these traditions. It is hard to believe that within 20 minutes of Gucci and the Landmark shopping mall in Central, you are passing the crumbling colonial go-downs of the Western district where tea importers and Chinese pharmacists operate in a world of their own.

Do not be put off by rows of bottled seahorses, deer antler, dried snake, packaged worms, birds nests and shrivelled ginseng. English may be a problem, but as chemist Wong Ming explains, the seahorse boiled in water makes an excellent expectorant, the deer antler is good for kidneys and the worms work a cure on lungs and bronchitis.

These items are not cheap for a root of wild ginseng is HK$75,000 and 4 taels (about five ounces) of birdsnest (to improve the appetite) costs HK$2,000. It is hard to believe that 900 million Chinese can be wrong.

One eye-catching tonic called [illegible] recommends that constant drinking will strengthen the spleen and kidneys; reinforce the loins and knees" and is "suitable for men and women to drink at discretion in all seasons."

Another compulsory visit is China Products and [illegible] Arts and Crafts. There are branches throughout Hong Kong and, like Aladdin's cave, you can buy anything from monkey-picked tea to sequined slippers.

In 1986 3.7 million tourists came to Hong Kong and 4 million are expected this year — an astonishing increase of 22.5 per cent in the first half of 1987 — mostly from Japan and the US. Britain ranks fifth with 214,000 visitors in 1986.

Tourism generated HK$17,860 million last year and if doubts about 1997 have plagued certain sectors of the economy, hotel investors seem immune.

Twelve new hotels are planned between now and 1997, like the luxury Nikko Hotel opening next spring and the Ramada Renaissance next August. Most prestigious will be the Grand Hyatt, part of the new Exhibition and Conference Centre in Causeway Bay.

Manny Woo, director of the Hong Kong Hotels Association, is fervent about the future of tourism. He stresses the majority of new hotel investment is from Hong Kong capital reaching far beyond 1997. "This will allow us to continue promoting and attract up to 6 million visitors a year," he smiled.

But, at the end of a hot Hong Kong day, there is nothing better than to climb aboard a junk at Queen's Pier, watch the harbour turn from day to night and plot a course across the South China Sea to dine on Lamma Island.

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Judith Parsons

Air bonanza set to run into the 21st century

With its air and sea trade booming, Hong Kong is busily planning multi-billion expansion schemes to ensure continuation of its role as the crossroads of the Far East well into the next century.

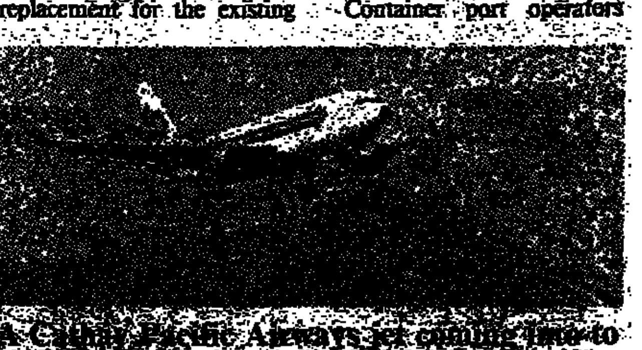
The crucial elements in the scheme are a new airport and a new container port, plus all the infrastructure that goes with them.

Years of talk about a new airport off Lantau Island, away from the densely-populated areas, culminated in January when a local developer with very strong mainland Chinese backing, Gordon Wu of Hopewell Holdings, introduced a massive plan to be financed by private interests.

The ambitious $HK25 billion (about £2 billion) project also included related harbour and road developments. Called "Western Harbour – Lantau Strategic Development Project", it is the biggest private sector scheme put forward to a government historically in favour of letting private enterprise carry out major projects for suitable rewards.

Hong Kong's Secretary for Lands and Works, Graham Barnes, said that the plan, which would create an island between Lantau and Hong Kong to accommodate extensive air and seaport facilities had aroused Government interest as discussions progressed.

For decades, Hong Kong has been talking about a replacement for the existing Kai Tak international airport, with a breathtaking approach through the skyscrapers of Kowloon.



A Cathay Pacific Airways jet coming in to land after a flight which gives the visitor a magical view of the island's high-rise skyline

In 1982, the government decided on a new airport at Chek Lap Kok [illegible] but the scheme was [illegible] year, partly because of the economic [illegible].

Now the government, which [illegible] that Hong Kong will need a new airport by the year 2005, is [illegible] the [illegible] of building the airport and a container terminal on an artificial island in the same vicinity.

The Chief Secretary, David Ford, agrees that there is a long-term need for a new airport, but said that the question of timing is the crucial element.

He chaired a steering committee to examine the proposals of the Hopewell Holdings consortium. He later commented that the proposals concern medium term development plans and as such had to be looked at against the background of the government's overall strategy for the development of the airport and the harbour.

Present indications, he said, are that the runway capacity at Kai Tak will be under severe strain up to 1995, reaching saturation point around 2005.

It was therefore unlikely that a decision on a replacement airport would need to be taken before 1990-91. However, he added, it may be necessary to bring forward that timetable if freight and passenger traffic increase faster than expected.

Passenger traffic increased last year by 7.9 per cent, with 10.6 million passengers going through Kai Tak. It was the first time throughput had exceeded the 10 million mark.

The government has announced that a new airport development studies division is to be set up to examine the options and forecast the demand.

At the same time, the new division will be in contact with the Hopewell Holdings Consortium to check on the technical feasability of proposed airport sites and the related construction programmes.

At some "appropriate" point, the division will also liaise with officials of the People's Republic of China, to make sure that various airport developments are going to be compatible.

China has plans of its own for a huge new international airport right on Hong Kong's doorstep and Macao due to be taken over by China soon after Hong Kong, is making similar noises.

Shipping men are meanwhile declaring that expanding Hong Kong's container port is more urgent than the airport development. A sixth container terminal is already under construction at the Kwai Chung container port and a seventh is planned.

Completion of both projects would double container capacity to 4.2 million twenty-foot equivalent units, T.E.U.'s.

Container port operators [illegible] development [illegible] to relieve pressure on crowded Kwai Chung, which is expected to overtake Rotterdam by the end of the decade as the world's largest container port.

Last year Hong Kong replaced New York in second place after [illegible]. This was made possible because Kwai Chung's container throughput jumped 21.9 per cent last year to 2.77 million T.E.U.s.

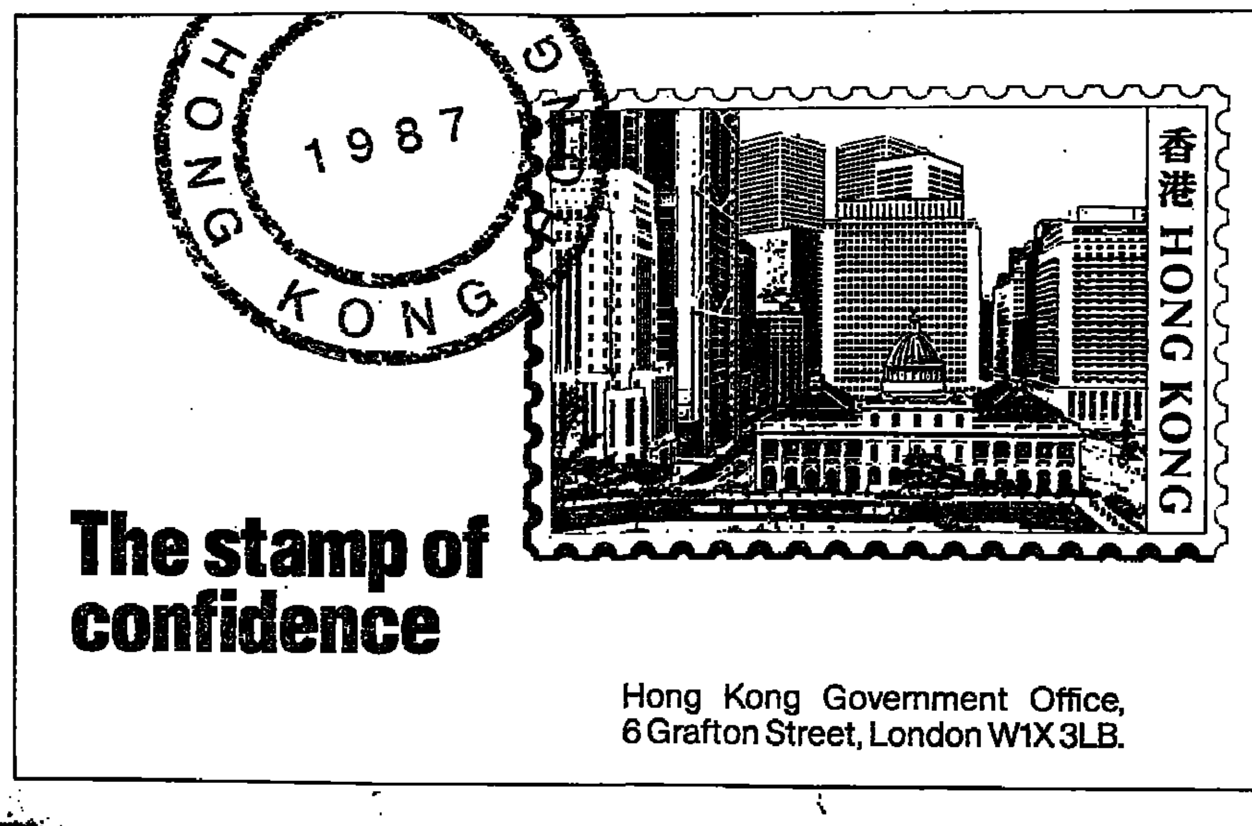
Despite the [illegible] for ships using the harbour as a whole [illegible] an average of [illegible] days for vessels working [illegible] at harbour mooring buoys. For container ships at Kwai Chung it is 13 hours — the fastest turnaround times for any port in the Far East.

Last year 12,180 ocean-going vessels and [illegible] river trade vessels called at Hong Kong and loaded and discharged more than [illegible] million tonnes of cargo, of which [illegible] per cent was containerised [illegible].

The Marine Department, together with other government departments, completed a Port Development Strategy Study in May, looking at provision of additional major port facilities in Hong Kong up to the year 2001.

The finding is that additional container terminals and all the related facilities will definitely be required. The shipping experts have the same [illegible] for their facilities: whether or not the Hopewell Holdings Consortium plan is the answer, there is obviously going to be major expansion very soon.

Jim Biddulph



The stamp of confidence

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Chefs top the menu

I had been in Hong Kong for exactly 35 minutes before a waiter arrived at my door with a trolley bearing some mysterious, lidded bamboo baskets. "Your dim sum, sir!" It was my introduction to the local obsession.

One of the baskets contained the tea pot. The others revealed small parcels of chopped meat, fish or vegetables wrapped in thin pastry and steamed. Each parcel was the size of a bite. This is an ancient Cantonese custom said to have originated along the Pearl River because the people of the area had the time to sit around munching as they exchanged views about life.

It has been enthusiastically embraced by the favoured citizens of modern Hong Kong. They can be seen talking business, drinking strong black tea and popping some of the 70 standard varieties of dim sum into their mouths at such places as the Luk Yu Tea House in Stanley Street any time from dawn to mid-afternoon. Then they are ready for a proper meal. Providing proper meals is something in which Hong Kong takes enormous pride. There are about 6,000 restaurants and at peak hours people seem to be waiting for tables at all of them.

While it is possible to find excellent spaghetti and Kentucky Fried Chicken it is the Hong Kong way with traditional Chinese cooking which has turned the colony into a centre of gastronomy.

The recent inauguration of an annual Hong Kong food festival has raised standards and injected a spirit of competition among restaurants. It has also made public figures of some of the chefs, men such as 40-year-old Hui Pui-wing, of the Tsui Hang Village Restaurant, whose shark's-fin soup with bamboo fungus, asparagus and crab claws won him an award.

A regular feature of the festival is the so-called *World of Flavours*, an exhibition at which the top Hong Kong restaurants take booths and show off their specialities.

It is a way of taking a crash course in Chinese cuisine; the delicate, natural, fresh flavour of Cantonese cooking, the spicy Szechuan dishes, the heavy dumplings from Peking. Some offerings failed to tempt me, such as half-hatched duck's eggs, including feathers and blood, which are apparently a delicacy in the Philippines and Vietnam.

Mere taste is only one element of Hong Kong's cuisine. The new breed of chefs are striving after original visual effects. Menus are planned to contrast textures. The much-vaunted shark's fin soup, for example, can be a disappointment for someone looking for a pure taste experience. It has to be appreciated for its glutinous texture.

Certain experiences should not be missed. Take a large party to eat at the Lei Yue Mun fishing village east of Kowloon, past Kai Tak airport. Diners pick their fish or crustaceans alive from tanks in the fish market and take them to their chosen restaurant, where it will be cooked for a service charge.

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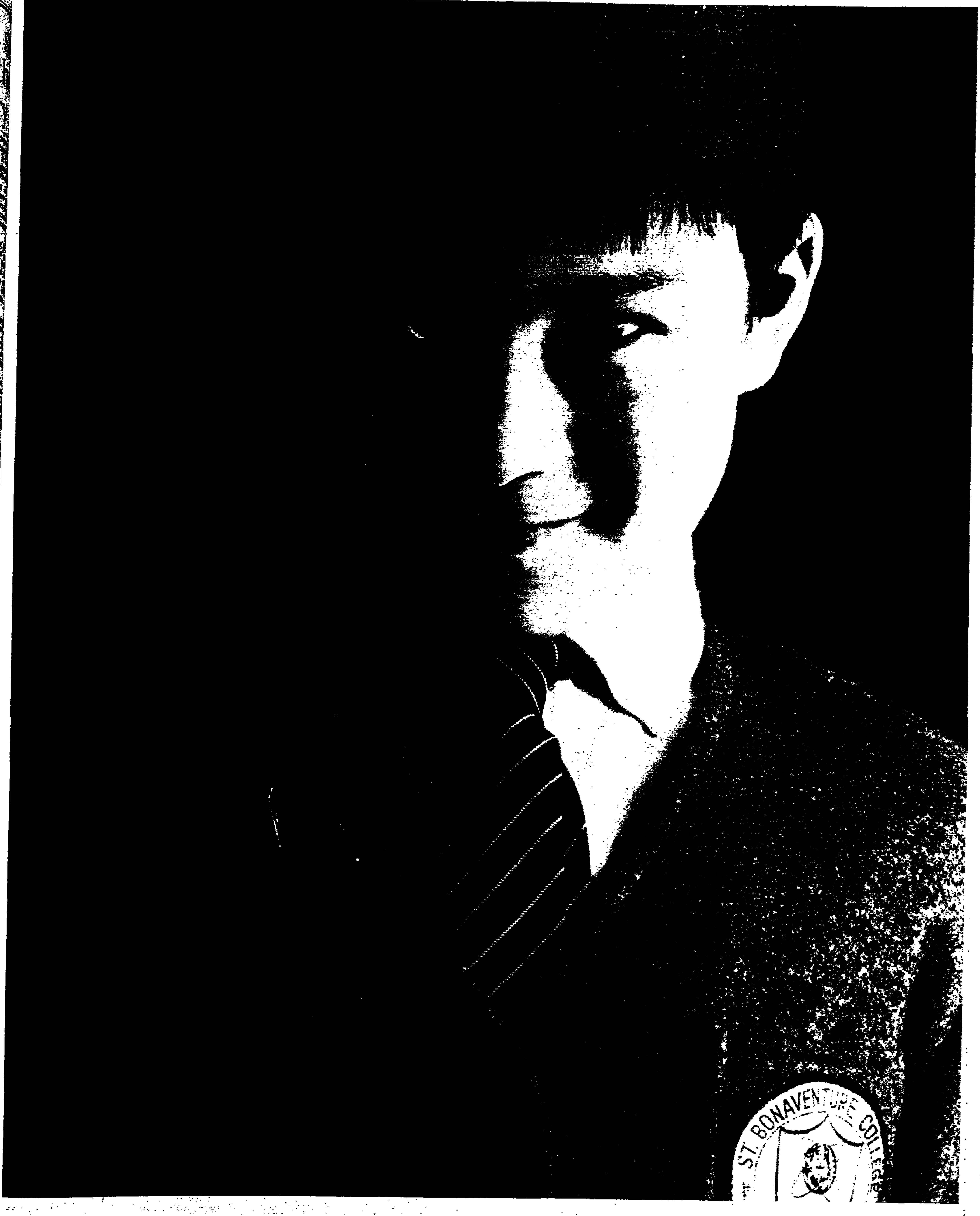

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A clean-up of the red tides

Picturepoint

From a camouflaged army observation tower on the Chinese border overlooking the barbed-wire that stems a sad tide of illegal immigrants into Hong Kong, you see not only the Pearl River and sweep of Deep Bay but the unique 300 hectares of Mai Po — one of the world's most important yet seriously threatened stretches of estuarine marsh.

Mai Po is the last tract of dwarf mangrove in Hong Kong and home to 250 species of bird like the rare spotted greenshank and Saunder's gull, but more importantly, the only resting place for birds migrating between Siberia and Tasmania.

If Mai Po goes these birds will simply die. David Melville, the reserve manager of Mai Po, now under the auspices of the World Wildlife Fund, says: "The mangroves of south east China have taken a terrible hammering from industrial pollution. At least at Mai Po we have an area we can look after."

But his optimism may be shortlived for Deep Bay is on the verge of a major industrial and population influx from both sides of the border.

In total there are 20 projects around Deep Bay, like a new airport in China's Futien nature reserve, Tin Shui Wai new town and the world's biggest rubbish tip at Nim Wan which will all effect the environment. Their combined impact prompts not only David Melville to ask: Have we got another catastrophe on our hands?

Concern for Deep Bay is acute given it has poor water circulation with a residence time of 15 days. Anxiety is appropriate for Hong Kong is already living with one totally unacceptable environmental disaster — Tolo Harbour.

Had the necessary environmental impact assessments, EIAs, been made, Tolo Harbour, Hong Kong's biggest inlet on the north-east coast, would not be the lifeless liability and health hazard it is today. For the first half of 1987 there have already been 16 red tides.

The government did build a secondary sewage treatment plant here for the new towns of Shatin and Tai Po in the 1970's to cope with the population overspill from Kowloon, but as Stewart Reed, director of the Evironmental Protection Department, EPD, admits,"environmental planning was not at the forefront of most minds."

The sewage works and harbour never had a chance to cope with the wastes from 700,000 urban dwellers, 200 factories, 50,000 villagers and 600,000 pigs.

Dr Reed points out that HK$1 billion (about £77 million) has been spent trying to clean up the harbour and $400 million more is earmarked over the next five years. The harbour is now a water control zone, a token gesture given that new legislation permits factories to increase waste here by another 30 per cent.

The harbour is merely symptomatic of the enormous pressures facing Hong Kong, an area of 1036 square kilometres of which only 200 sq km are habitable.

In 1949 the population was 1.8 million but to-day it is a cramped 5.5 million and will be 6.2 million by 1995 with the world's highest population density in Kowloon at around 21,000 people per sq km.

A brave face: population pressures extend beyond the land with thousands living on fire-prone floating cities of sampans like this one in Aberdeen harbour

Population growth and industry have simply outstripped infrastucture leaving a dangerous array of water, air, noise and now visual pollution, which are finally affronting residents, turning pollution into the issue of the moment. A telephone hotline is designed to single out offenders.

Despite repeated warnings in the early 1970s from experts like Professor John Hodgkiss and Dr Brian Morton of Hong Kong university who have frustratedly monitored the environmental demise, it is only now the"Fragrant Harbour" is an overloaded sewer, that the government is tackling the problem.

Each day it deals with 1 million tonnes of sewage and 8,000 tonnes of solid waste.

The situation is aggravated by shipping effluent as Hong Kong is the world's second largest container port.

Water pollution is only one problem, high concentrations of respirable suspended air particulates and 300,000 vehicles another, but as Linda Siddal, director of Hong Kong's Friends of the Earth, explains: "Everybody here lives jeek by jowl so the importance of the sea and beach as an escape valve cannot be ignored."

There are now five beaches designated hazardous to health, but not the popular Repulse Bay, which according to Professor Hodgkiss for the period February 1986-87 showed levels of bacteria per 100 ml of water of 7,255 total coliforms and 337 faecal coliforms.

This compares to EEC standards of 550 total and 100 faecal coliforms. "Repulse Bay is not even bad by Hong Kong standards" he said.

No one in Hong Kong contests that the EPD is walking a tightrope between powerful business factions who say pollution controls will force them out of work and the stark need to clean up and avoid health risks.

Despite local critisism of too little too late and adjusting environmental controls to suit business interests, the EPD which started as an eight man team under Dr Stewart Reed in 1977 is now a body of 510. The government also receives advice from EPCOM, the environmental pollution advisory committee.

Undoubtedly, concern from Sir David Wilson, the governor, who was recently horrified by the filth he saw in the New Territories will help."Panic measures are not needed" said Sir David this month,"but we need to take some clear decisions".

Local sources say Sir David is staking his reputation on the environment and the announcement of a First Secretary for the environment is expected shortly. This it is hoped will further coalesce fragmented bureaucratic parts and give some real bite to the inexperienced legislative attempts so far.

A master sewage plan costing $11 billion upto 1997 is finally under discussion. This has been a painful struggle in Hong Kong ethics, for as A J Veil of Binnie & partners, the consulting engineers for the reclamation model of Victoria Harbour says, "with this kind of spending you get nothing back."

Ironically while the government cleans up before 1997 to avoid loss of face, a new risk is emerging. Only 30 kilometres from the border, Phase I of the Daya Bay nuclear power plant comes on stream in 1992.

Up to 70 per cent of the this energy will be used by China Light and Power in Hong Kong, but a spokesman for the Royal Observatory responsible for monitoring the plant said "yes, we are worried as we have no experience of monitoring radiation or setting levels."

Presumably the political decision makers for Daya Bay are convinced that its benefits far outstrip the risk of 6 million people with nowhere to go in an emergency.

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Property hits all-time high

Since the signing of the Sino-British Joint Declaration in 1984, all sectors of the Hong Kong property market have seen vigorous growth. The success of the market has attracted extensive international investment, breaking the stranglehold of local individuals and companies, according to industry sources.

It would seem, at times, that the disasters of 1981-83 have been forgotten. The stability of the present situation, however, is marked by a sense of caution, suggesting that the market has learned some hard lessons, according to local property analysis.

"They have learned the simple lessons of supply and demand as well as something about property financing. The government and the banks have also regulated the mortgage market," says a director of Jones Lang Wootton. "There is much less speculation today. And it is very much more a mature market."

The present boom is a much healthier one, with supply reacting to demand correctly, according to Albert Lai, executive director of First Pacific Davies Properties.

Prime commercial space in the expanding office areas — Central, Wanchai, Causeway Bay and Tsim Sha Tsui — has been in short supply since 1986. But with some 20 new developments due to be completed between 1987 and 1989, the shortage will be eased considerably, allowing companies to relocate and to expand.

Among the most important developments are Exchange Square Tower Three, Pacific Place, Bond Centre, the Bank of China Building, the Standard Chartered Bank all in central district, Chinachem Golden Plaza in Tsim Sha Tsui and Harcourt House, Shui On Centre and the Hong Kong Exhibition Centre in Wanchai.

When these properties are completed the total commercial stock available, in 1989, will be around 28 million net square feet.

At the forefront of overseas investment has been Japan, China, Australia and the US. The British have been slow into the market, according to Robin de Morgan, managing director of Dominion Investment (Far East). But he sees the presence of London Edinburgh Trust in the market as a significant step.

Among major Japanese investors are companies such as Japan Airlines, Mitsuyi, EIE Corporation who paid HK$1 billion (about £77 million) on the Hong Kong property market, according to various property analysts. It is also estimated that about one-third of all Hong Kong property deals involve the Japanese.

Along with the strong Japanese interest, Australian entrepreneur Alan Bond's purchase of Hongkong Land's residential portfolio for HK$1 billion in 1986, and the Bond Centre for HK$2 billion earlier this year, has kept the market buoyant.

Having bounced back to stability and growth, rentals have seen significant increases in the third quarter of this year. Grade A rents in Tsim Sha Tsui have increased by 20 per cent, 8 per cent in Wanchai and Causeway Bay and 14 per cent in Central.

Grade A rents, exclusive of services, are HK$21 to HK$26 per net square foot in Tsim Sha Tsui; HK$18 to HK$23 per net square foot in Wanchi and Causeway Bay, and HK$25 to HK$36 per net square foot in Central.

"Everyone is now trying to buy, but the market is tight for sale properties and those available are being snapped up right away," says Ms Sandra Thompson, residential negotiator with Richard Ellis. "Older properties, eight years or older, however, are now tending to remain empty."

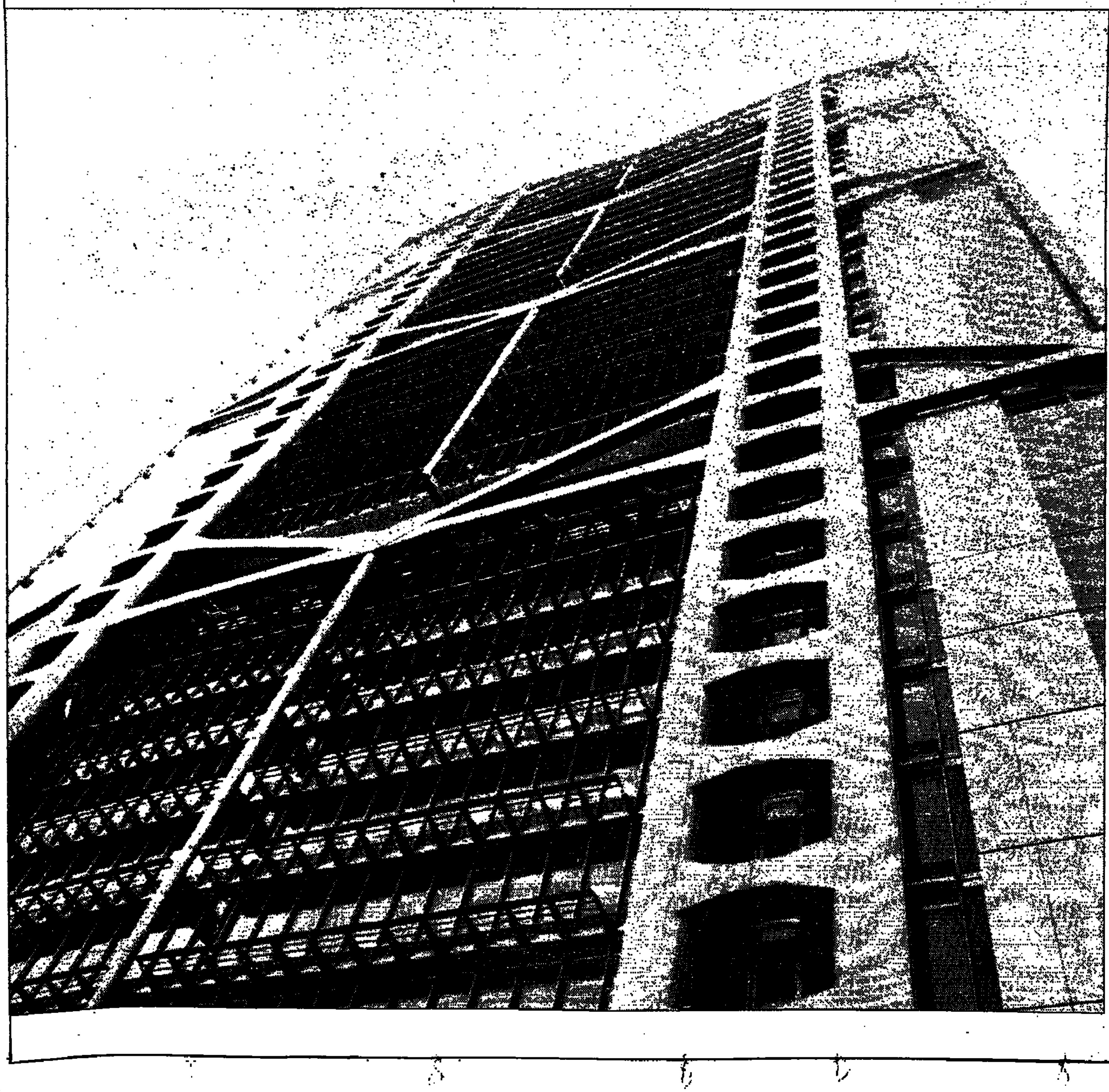
Purchases in prestigious locations on the Peak, Mid-levels, South Island, Shousun Hill and Chum Hom Kok are unlikely to begin at less than HK$1.5 million.

In these locations apartments are now selling at HK$1,700 per square foot plus, and analysts say that they will continue at this level in 1988.

Rentals of prime luxury apartments range between HK$46,000 and HK$57,000 a month. Other luxury apartments, not centrally located, range between HK$25,000 and HK$45,000 a month, which agents suggest are the easiest to let. The upper end of luxury rentals, between HK$60,000 and HK$100,000 a month, remains tight.

At present, the Hong Kong property market remains strong, but analysts generally suggest a cautious approach as the boom might soon reach the top of its recent growth curve.

Ian Findlay



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Punch drunk

Without so much as a shin being kicked or a manager stabbed in the back, blood flowed at White Hart Lane in *Heavyweight Boxing* (ITV Saturday). Most of it gushed from the unprepossessing nose of the well-known Australian megaweight, Joe Bugner, who turned up for work wearing a dressing gown which looked to have scrambled eggs on both shoulders.

During his adoptive country's anthem, he seized the national flag and swirled it through the jellied night air with a fair impersonation of pugnacity. Then a fanfare and a Union flag announced the arrival of Frank Bruno dressed as Santa Claus. Then they started playing at bulls and matadors. Then I switched to BBC1 for *International Snooker*.

There was more flag waving in episode eight of *Vanity Fair* (BBC1 yesterday), most of those participating winding up dead on the field of Waterloo, which speaks volumes for the value of patriotism. They were survived by the claret bibbers back in Brussels, among whose number the only casualty was Mr Sedley's moustache. James Saxon's account of this cartoon poltroon should have set the standard for the rest of the players, who turned in savourless performances worthy of Madam Tussaud. This serial has succeeded handsomely in reducing Thackeray to a weekly slice of rich fruit cake.

Rich fruits were much in evidence in last night's *South Bank Show* (LWT), which took a modest 90 minutes to rehearse Andy Warhol's paradigmatically meaningless life. Apart from his admirable interview technique ("Uh — yes"; "Uh — no"; "Uh — dunno"), pop art's most celebrated exponent personally created nothing but publicity and money.

Martin Cropper

● David Wade's radio column has been held over.

Back to the future

Director Michael Blakemore returns to the West End tomorrow with Peter Shaffer's new play *Lettice and Lovage*. Like the theme of the play, Sheridan Morley looks at how Blakemore's career could turn full circle

Peter Shaffer's new play *Lettice and Lovage*, which opens at the Globe tomorrow after a week of previews, reunites its star Maggie Smith with the director Michael Blakemore for the first time in a quarter of a century.

"Back in 1961," he recalls, "when I was still an actor, we were on tour together in a play called *Strip the Willow* written by the man she married, Beverley Cross, and although we only got as far as Golders Green before closing, I have never forgotten the light in her eyes and that extraordinary comic immediacy. I was giving my James Stewart performance as an infatuated American soldier, and I seem to remember that we both did rather too much giggling."

This time, with Blakemore safely on the other side of the curtain, Miss Smith plays a woman infatuated with the past: "It's essentially a comedy about the way that the past impinges on the present, and although it's a very light treat, Shaffer is a man of such curiosity that he manages to touch a lot of modern nerves about what the past was like and what we have lost in the present. In an almost fairy-tale way I suppose it's about the drift of modernity and, as in many of his plays, Shaffer has written two major, initially antagonistic, roles only here they are for women."

Working now for the West End management of Robert Fox, Blakemore and Shaffer and Miss Smith have all emerged from uneasy times at the National, and for Michael the years of Peter Hall's management have been, as he says, "a time of exile" from the subsidized arena. Though he remains even now extremely reticent on the subject, it is no secret that those involved in the closing months of the Olivier regime fought a strong rearguard action to see him as the next director.

In the 10 years that he has spent on the open market, Blakemore's track record as a director has, in fact, been vastly more distinguished than that of many of the contemporaries he left behind in the subsidized arena: a trio of Michael Frayn hits on both sides of the Atlantic (*Benefactors, Make & Break, Noises Off*) has established him internationally, and his diary is now solid to the middle of next year.

From the Shaffer, he goes straight to the Manhattan Theatre Club to direct "the best American play I've read in years," Don de Lillo's *The Day Room*. Then he stays in New York to direct Paul Shrader's *Berlinale* for Joe Papp, returning to the West End early in '88 to direct Michael Gambon and Greta Scacchi and Jonathan Pryce in a West End *Uncle Vanya*.

Alan Weller

Present laughter: Michael Blakemore — "It's essentially a comedy about the way the past impinges on the present"

Setting out originally from a Sydney seaside childhood, Blakemore came to England in 1950 and spent 15 years as an actor including one memorable Stratford summer which he later wrote about in a marvellous, little-known and happily soon to be reprinted novel of backstage life called *Next Season*.

He still acts occasionally, most recently as the Australian premier John Curtin in a controversial anti-Churchill television film yet to be shown over here, but effectively became a director in 1966: "I'd always really wanted to be a director, but when I first came to England all the Oxbridge university graduates seemed to have that sewn up. Then, one season, I was acting in Regent's Park with David Williams when he was appointed to the Glasgow Citizen. He took me up there to play in *Julius Caesar* and *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* and, after a season or so, they asked me to stay on as a director. One day a play arrived in the post which no London management would look at because it dealt with a spastic child, so I directed it at Glasgow and that was really how it all began."

The play was, of course, Peter Nichols' *A Day in the Death of Joe Egg*, and its success in London and New York started a relationship between Nichols and Blakemore which was to last through *The National Health, Forget-Me-Not-Lane*, and *Privates on Parade* (which Blakemore also filmed) before coming to a somewhat abrupt end. Since then he has worked very closely with Michael Frayn, and finds himself now at the start of a new partnership with Shaffer.

But now, with a new team about to take over the National, and the RSC at Stratford gradually opening their doors again to non-resident directors, does Blakemore see a return to the subsidized companies?

"After a decade in the commercial theatre it might be good to go back for a while, though I think there's a terribly dangerous and growing scepticism about the arts and subsidy in this country. No director can ever forecast his future, but I think I had a golden time at the National with *Long Day's Journey* and *Front Page* and *Cherry Orchard* and *Plunder*. Times like that don't come around too often, and the barbarians are now at the gates of the major companies."

Sounds exciting

CONCERTS

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Elizabeth Hall

This year's Early Music Centre Festival is particularly well-endowed with vocal excitements.

Westminster Cathedral's marvellously rejuvenated choir opened proceedings last week with Victoria and Palestrina; Gothic voices dipped into the 13th-century Parisian repertoire; and next Thursday the Queen Elizabeth Hall will resound to Gabrieli at his most sumptuously polychoral.

But when one hears the first movement of Bach's double-chorus motet *Singet dem Herrn*, one is compelled to believe that no-one has ever understood the essence of choral music as the Leipzig cantor did.

Singet dem Herrn was the highlight of an intriguing concert in which three Bach motets (*Komm Jesu komm* and *Lobet den Herrn* were the others), sung by the New London Chamber Choir under James Wood, were juxtaposed with two of Bach's unaccompanied violin Partitas played by Monica Huggett.

The clarity, steady ensemble and infallible intonation of these 30 singers are admirable. A little tonal warmth is missing at times, and Wood is decidedly puritanical about imposing any marked dynamic scheme.

For such an experienced baroque violinist Miss Huggett took a long time to settle into the Partitas: in the E major, BWV1006, any sense of underlying pulse in the slow movements was abandoned far too readily, she did not stamp any personality on the cut of the phrases, and there was some miscalculated intonation.

She found better form and greater character in the D minor, BWV1004. Its gigue was intelligently phrased; and its chaconne — an epic test of technique, imagination and fortitude — was delivered with heroic determination.

Richard Morrison

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Only one cellist has the technique, the all-embracing musicality and the heart to emerge triumphant from a programme like this. Mstislav Rostropovich, obviously hugely enjoying his sixtieth birthday year, swept like a whirlwind through a tricky Vivaldi concerto, plunged fearlessly into the virtuoso complexities of Penderecki's Cello Concerto No 2, then offered as richly nuanced a portrait of Strauss's *Don Quixote* as one could wish to hear.

Penderecki's concerto, written for this cellist, must rank as one of his more convincing efforts since he "went Romantic", rejecting much of the avant-garde language that made him famous in favour of "traditional" scores with overt emotional profiles that possibly reflect events in Poland during the early 1980s.

It is an episodic piece. The orchestral writing ranges from portentous string unisons, deadpan clusters and tolling bells to frantic polyphony which sends 70 instruments scurrying in different directions. Shostakovich is evoked by sardonic dialogues and ominous outbreaks of militaristic drumming.

But one thing stays constant: the impassioned and fiendishly taxing solo part, which seems to offer a "free" commentary on the orchestral melee, and occasionally breaks into audacious cadenzas. Under the composer's baton, Rostropovich played it with magnificent commitment.

R.M.

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If concertos for three pianos are rare, really good concertos for three pianos are even rarer. Mozart's Triple Concerto, K242, may for this composer be an unexceptional work save in respect of the solo forces it requires, but it does include a repertoire of modest delights.

As Malcolm Bilson, Melvin Tan, and Robert Levin showed us in the latest instalment of the English Baroque Soloists' complete cycle of Mozart concertos, they shine the more brightly when, as here, period-style fortepianos are used.

Besides enabling us to hear three reproductions of late 18th-century pianos (by Walter) which showed subtly different characteristics, their performance also revealed their own contrasting personalities, which may surprise those who still believe that authentic means dull.

There was the solid assurance of Bilson, subtle as any Perahia; there was Levin, the suavest of the three; and there was the flamboyance of Tan, ever willing to squeeze the last drop of expression from every note, as his delicious exchanges with Bilson in the slow movement proved.

Like the Triple Concerto, the solo Concerto in B flat, K238, is another *galant* work that tends to superficiality. Here John Eliot Gardiner encouraged the oboes of his excellent orchestra to pierce the air like a laser beam, while in the French-style final Rondeau (the Triple Concerto has one of those too) the interjections of the horns were rightly rude and rustic.

Stephen Pettitt

THEATRE

Private rituals of outcasts

Deathwatch/The Maids
The Pit

Genet may not have written these two early plays as a double bill, but in this production by Gerard Murphy and Ultz they emerge as mutually reflecting counterparts; and the RSC has done the author a service by bringing them together.

In the matter of plot, both consist of abominable triangles that work their way through to a death by means of Genet's reverse codes of honour and theology. Both inhabit the twin regions of degradation and glory; and owe much of their public impact to their existence as private rituals conducted by imprisoned outcasts.

In *Deathwatch* the imprisonment is literal; a factor that casts light on the state of the girls in the second play: nominally domestic servants, but in Genet's eyes no less shackled than the condemned murderer Greeneyes and his two companions in the first.

To complete the mirror image, casting is duplicated, so that the homosexual convicts reappear as the maids and their mistress. With these affinities established, Ultz pushes the design contrast to the furthest possible extreme: following up a bare centre-stage cage with a bedroom of almost caricatured female luxury.

Donald Cooper

Kings and queens: Anderson and Murphy (front) in *Maids*

The Maids is an immediately accessible piece and first made Genet's name on the British stage. *Deathwatch* makes no concessions and is palpably the poem of the underworld.

This production is a work built out of the French classical tradition. Greeneyes is the hero of a society in which authentic crime is a badge of Cornelian glory.

Patrick Bailey as the girlish thief Mikkel emerged as a displaced confidant, and Miles Anderson's Lefranc as the would-be champion, finally tricked into an act of murder which rebounds into a sentence of perpetual solitude.

But one message of the play is that Genet's idea of glory is inseparable from solitude. Witness Mr Murphy's performance as Greeneyes, attempting a dance, and then pushing his partner away to embark on a solo with the rhythm of a steam-hammer emphasized with neck-breaking head jerks. This actor is our greatest specialist in the embodiment of guilt and physical threat; both superbly combined in this performance.

In *The Maids* he is back, in a black frock, hair painfully scraped to his scalp as Solange, the elder sister playing opposite Mr Anderson's Claire, queening it in an ivory slip. Their respective ages are not registered; instead you get an extremely camp version of the opening masquerade played by two patently butch drag artists. Much of it is very funny.

The double masquerade of men playing girls playing their mistress has been attempted before (by the Becks and Portable Theatre), but I doubt with greater truthfulness to Genet than in this version. David Rudkin's new translation is another bonus.

Irving Wardle

A passion flowers

DANCE

Stravinsky Ballets
Covent Garden

It is not often that you see the *corps de ballet* applauding a conductor at Covent Garden. Bernard Haitink deserved it on Saturday for his direction of the Royal Ballet's Stravinsky programme.

His achievement was not only to make the notoriously variable orchestra play at their considerable best but to lay out the music with vivid clarity and style, articulating a lot of details that has often gone unheard.

In *Scenes de Ballet*, his sense of mystery enhanced the proud rituals of Ashton's choreography, and his exceptionally mellifluous phrasing of the ballerina's second solo enriched Lesley Collier's radiant performance. There was too much patter of tiny feet from the rest of the cast, and unfortunately we still have the false start with the music's introduction unnecessarily played twice, diminishing its effect.

The Firebird contained a marvellously growling quality for some of Kostchei's theme music, and Derek Rencher has given more detail and conviction to his playing of that role. The rest of the cast, led by Cynthia Harvey, Anthony Dowell and Diane Bergsma, performed ably but heartlessly, offering illustration rather than drama, as if they hardly believed in Fokine's choreography.

Leslie Spatt

Thrilling performance: Fiona Chadwick in *The Rite of Spring*

In *The Rite of Spring*, Fiona Chadwick gives a thrilling performance of the chosen victim, beautifully danced (almost too strongly to convey the growing exhaustion) and acted with passion and passivity; at last a match for Monica Mason, the role's originator.

My eyes and ears tell me that the rest of the dancing needs more weight, but Kenneth MacMillan supervised the rehearsals and even revised details (especially the camouflaging make-up) so this disconcerting lightness must be what he wants.

John Percival

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new play by Michelene Wandor and Mike Alfreds from the novel by Eugene Sue.
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THEATRE

LONDON

☆ **ALLO, ALLO:** Return of last year's stage version of the T V show.
Prince of Wales Theatre, Coventry Street W1 (01-839 5987). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Thurs 8-10.20pm, Fri and Sat 8.40-11pm, mats Fri and sat 5.30-7.50pm, £7.50-£14.

☆ **BEYOND REASONABLE DOUBT:**
Frank Finlay, Wendy Craig and others in Jeffrey Archer courtroom drama.
Queen's Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue W1 (01-734 1166). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Fri 8-10.15pm, Sat 8.30-10.45pm, mats Thurs 3-5.15pm and Sat 5-7.15pm, £5-£13.50.

☆ **BLUES IN THE NIGHT:** Return of hit blues show: Carol Woods, Debby Bishop, Maria Friedman sing their hearts out in a sleazy Chicago hotel.
Piccadilly Theatre, Denman Street, W1 (01-437 4506). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Thurs 8-10pm, Fri and Sat 6.30-8pm and 9-11pm, £8.50-£14.50. (D)

☆ **A COLLIER'S FRIDAY NIGHT:** Annette Crosbie, Alfred Lynch, Claire Hackett in D H Lawrence's warm, beautifully detailed play.
Greenwich Theatre, Crooms Hill SE10 (01-858 7755). Station: Greenwich. First night tonight, 7pm. Then Mon-Sat 7.45pm, mats Sat 2.30pm. £3-£10.

☆ **CORPSE:** Colin Baker and Jack Watling in twisty thriller of murder, money and identical twins.
Strand Theatre, Aldwych, WC2 (01-836 2660). Tube: Covent Garden/Charing Cross. Mon-Sat 8-10.10pm, mats Wed 3-5.10pm and Sat 5-7.10pm, £3.50-£13.50. (D)

★ **FOLLIES:** Sondheim's musical, in London at last, has Diana Rigg and Julia McKenzie leading a starry cast.
Shaftesbury Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, WC2 (01-379 5399). Tube: Holborn/Tottenham Court Road. Mon-Sat 7.45-10.15pm, mats Wed and Sat 3-5.30pm, £10-£20.

☆ **HIGH SOCIETY:** The show of the film. Stoked with extra Cole Porter. Good performances.
Victoria Palace Theatre, Victoria Street, SW1 (01-834 1317). Tube: Victoria. Mon-Fri 7.45-10.15pm, Sat 8.15-10.45pm, mats Wed 3-5.30pm and Sat 4.45-7.15pm, £7.50-£18.50. (D)

☆ **THE HYPOCHONDRIAC:** Tom Courtenay heads strong cast in Molière's classic comedy.
Lyric Theatre, King Street W6 (01-741 2311). Tube: Hammersmith. Mon-Sat 7.45pm, mats Wed 2.30pm and Sat 4pm. £5-£10.

☆ **KISS ME KATE:** The RSC production of the Cole Porter musical, with Paul Jones and Nichola McAuliffe.
Old Vic Theatre, Waterloo Road, SE1 (01-928 7616) Tube. Waterloo Mon-Fri 7 30-10.20pm, Sat 7.45-10 35pm, mats Wed 2.30-5.20pm and Sat 4-6.50pm £8-£19 (D)

☆ **LETTICE AND LOVAGE.** New Peter Shaffer play starring Maggie Smith and Margaret Tyzack
Globe Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (01-437 3667) Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Preview tonight, 7.45-10.15pm. First night tomorrow, 7-9.30pm, then : Mon-Sat 7.45-10.15pm, mats Sat, 3-5.30pm. £7.50-£14.50.

☆ **THE LIVING ROOM:** Major revival of Graham Greene's first play; *strong cast includes* Judy Campbell, Dulcie Gray, Peter Blythe and Paul Daneman.
Royalty Theatre, Portugal Street WC2 (01-831 0660). Tube: Holborn/Temple. Mon-Sat 8pm, mats Wed 3pm and Sat 5pm, £6.50-£12.50.

☆ **A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS:** Charlton Heston takes over the role of Sir Thomas More in the strongly cast transfer from Chichester.
Savoy Theatre, Strand WC2 (01-836 8888). Tube: Charing Cross. Mon-Sat 7.30-10.15pm, mats 2.30-5.15pm, £5-£14.50.

☆ **NO MORE A-ROVING:** Brian Deacon in premiere of "lost" wartime comedy by John Whiting.
Orange Tree Theatre, Kew Road, Richmond (01-940 3633). Tube: Richmond. Mon-Sat 8-10.15pm, mats Sat 4.30-6.45pm, £2.50-£5.

☆ **SHANGHAI KUNJU THEATRE:** First show in a two-week season is *The Woman Warrior*, a spectacular display of martial arts and stunts being central to the narrative.
Palladium, Argyll Street, W1 (01-437 7373) Tube: Oxford Circus. Tonight, 7.30pm, also mat Wed, 2.30pm, Thurs, 7.30pm. £4-£15.

☆ **THREE MEN ON A HORSE:** Marvellously funny and friendly betting comedy: Geoffrey Hutchings and company joined by Toyah Willcox for this National Theatre transfer.
Vaudeville Theatre, Strand, WC2 (01-836 9988). Tube: Charing Cross, Mon-Fri 8-10.10pm, Sat 8.30-10.40pm, mats Wed 3-5.10pm and Sat 5-7.10pm, £5-£13.50.

LONG RUNNERS: ☆ **The Business Of Murder:** Mayfair Theatre (01-629 3036). . . ★ **Cats:** New London Theatre (01-405 0072, cc 01-404 4079). . ☆ **Chess:** Prince Edward Theatre (01-734 8951). . . ☆ **42nd Street:** Drury *Lane* Theatre Royal (01-836 8108/9/0). . . ☆ **Les Liaisons Dangereuses:** Ambassadors Theatre (01-836 6111, cc 01-836 1171). . . ☆ **Me And My Girl:** Adelphi Theatre (01-240 7913/4) . . . ★ **Les Misérables:** Palace Theatre (01-434 0909). . . ☆ **The Mousetrap:** St Martin's Theatre (01-836 1443) . . ★ **Phantom Of The Opera:** Her Majesty's Theatre (01-839 2244). . . ☆ **Run For Your Wife:** Criterion Theatre (01-930 3216). . . ☆ **Starlight Express:** Apollo Victoria Theatre (01-828 8665).

OUT OF TOWN

GLASGOW: ☆ **Joan of Arc:** Robert David Macdonald's production of his own new version of Schiller. Final week.
Citizens' Theatre, Gorbals (041 429 5561), Mon-Sat 7.30pm, £3.

PLYMOUTH: ☆ **South Pacific:** Gemma Craven, Bertice Reading, Emile Belcourt, Andrew C. Wadsworth, in the Rogers and Hammerstein musical. Comes to London in January.
Theatre Royal, Royal Parade (0752 669595), Opens tonight, 7.30pm. £6-£9.50

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON: ☆ **The Taming of the Shrew:** Fiona Shaw. Brian Cox, directed by Jonathan Miller
Royal Shakespeare Theatre (0789 295623). 7 30pm £3.50-£15.50

WATFORD: ☆ **A Doll's House:** Susan Penhaligon, Charlotte Cornwell, Mike Gwilim, directed by Lou Stein.
Palace Theatre, Clarendon Road (0923 225671), 7.45pm. £4.75.

TELEVISION TOP 10

National top ten television programmes in the week ending Oct 18 :

	BBC 1		BBC 2
1	EastEnders (Tue/Sun) 21.00m	1	Alas Smith and Jones 5.95m
2	EastEnders (Turs/Sun) 20.45m	2	The Atlanta Child Murders (Wed) 5.80m
3	Bread 14.40m	3	The Flame and The Arrow 5.25m
4	Only Fools and Horses 13.20m	4	The Atlanta Child Murders (Mon) 4.80m
5	Dear John 12.95m	5	International Snooker (Sun) 4.55m
6	Nine O clock News (Fri) 12.50m	6	The Belles of St Trinians 4.10m
7	Howards Way 12.00m	7	Battlestar Galactica 3.90m
8	21 Years of the Two Ronnies 11.60m	8	Top Gear 3 90m
9	Bergerac 10 75m	9	Australia 3.85m
10	News, Sport & Weather (Sat 20:55) 10.45m	10	The Natural World 3.45m

	ITV		Channel 4
1	Coronation Street (Mon) Granada 15.35m	1	Brookside (Tue/Sat) 5.60m
2	Coronation Street (Wed) Granada 15.30m	2	Brookside (Mon/Sat) 5 15m
3	Blind Date LWT 15.25m	3	Golden Girls 3.80m
4	Beadle's About LWT 12.30m	4	The Last Resort 3.45m
5	Strike It Lucky Thames 11.70m	5	Treasure Hunt 3.15m
6	This Is Your Life Thames 11 30m	6	Countdown (Thurs) 3.05m
7	News at 5.45 (Fri) ITN 11 10m	7	Countdown (Fri) 2.75m
8	The Krypton Factor Granada 11.05m	8	Countdown (Wed) 2.70m
9	The Equalizer ITV 10.90m	9	Countdown (Tue) 2.56m
10	News (Sat 20:48) ITN 10.90m	10	*Bewitched* 2.50m

Breakfast television: The average weekly figures for audiences at peak times (with figures in parenthesis showing the reach - the number of people who viewed for at least three minutes):
BBC1: *Breakfast Time:* Mon to Fri 1.2m (7.2m)
TV-am: *Good Morning Britain* Mon to Fri 2.4m (12.4m)

Source: Broadcasters' Audience Research Board

FILMS

■ **Also on national release**
⊠ *Advance booking possible*

■ **ANGEL HEART (18):** Mickey Rourke's down-at-heel detective pursues a missing person to the voodoo underworld of New Orleans. Pulp stuff, directed by Alan Parker in slam-bang style
Leicester Square Theatre (01-930 5252). Progs 1.45, 5.00, 8.20.

■ **LA BAMBA (15):** Conventional biography of the Mexican-American rock legend Ritchie Valens, dead at 17. Directed by Luis Valdez (100 min).
Cannon Tottenham Court Rd (01-636 6148). Progs 1.15, 3.35, 6.00, 8.25.

■ **BEVERLY HILLS COP II (15):** Eddie Murphy repeats his performance as the brazen Detroit cop on a job in Los Angeles. Tony Scott directs.
Cannon Baker Street (01-935 9772). Progs 1.45, 4.00, 6.15, 8.30.
Cannon Bayswater (01-352 5096). Progs 1.05, 3.20, 5.40, 8.15.
Cannon Edgware Road (01-723 5901). Progs 1.55, 4.10, 6.20, 8.35.
⊠ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 2.00, 4.30, 7.00, 9.30.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 1.30, 3.50, 6.10, 8.30.
⊠ **Plaza** (01-437 1234). Progs 12.15, 2.30, 4.45, 7.00, 9.15, 11.30.

BEYOND THERAPY (15): Another of Robert Altman's theatre pieces, filmed in Paris, with Julie Haggerty, Jeff Goldblum, Glenda Jackson and Tom Conti.
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096). Progs 2.35, 5.50, 8.45.
Cannon Haymarket (01-839 1527). Progs 2.15, 4.20, 6.30, 8.40.
Cannon Tottenham Court Road (01-636 6148). Progs 1.50, 4.05, 6.20, 8.30.

■ **THE BIG EASY (18):** Uncertain mixture of sex comedy and police thriller, with Dennis Quaid and Ellen Barkin. Directed by Jim McBride (95 min).
⊠ **Gate** (01-727 4043). Progs 1.45, 3.30, 5.25, 7.20, 9.15.
⊠ **Warner West End** (01-439 0791). Progs 2.00. 4.15, 6.30, 8.45.

DIRTY DANCING (18): Flimsy but energetic coming-of-age saga, with Jennifer Grey as the headstrong girl losing her innocence at a Borscht Belt resort. With Patrick Swayze and Jerry Ardolino.
Cannon Edgware Road (01-723 5901). Progs 1.55, 4.05, 6.15, 8.25.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 1.40, 3.55, 6.10, 8.30.
Cannon Royal (01-930 6915). Progs 1.25, 3.25, 5.50, 8.15.

■ **FULL METAL JACKET (18):** Stanley Kubrick's meticulously filmed Vietnam drama, following Matthew Modine and other recruits from basic training to combat. (115 min).
⊠ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 2.10, 6.10, 9.20.
⊠ **Warner West End** (01-439 0791). Progs 1.05, 3.35, 6.05, 8.35.

■ **HELLRAISER (18):** Full-blooded British horror film, written and directed by Clive Barker from his own novel about a decomposed corpse trying to eat his way back to life (100 min).
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 6.35, 8.30.

■ **SUPERMAN IV (PG):** Superman – now flying under new management (Cannon Films) – tries to rid the world of nuclear weapons. Lex Luthor does his utmost to prevent him. Juvenile stuff, with the old acting team – Christopher Reeve, Gene Hackman, Margot Kidder, Jackie Gleason – and a director new to the series, Sidney J Furie (87 min).
⊠ **Cannon Panton Street** (01-930 0631). Progs 1.45, 3.50, 6.00.

■ **TIN MEN (15):** Bright, inventive comedy from writer-director Barry Levinson, with Richard Dreyfuss and Danny DeVito as warring home improvement salesmen (110 min).
⊠ **Warner West End** (01-439 0791). Progs 1.05, 3.30, 5.55, 8.25.

■ **THE UNTOUCHABLES (15):** Eliot Ness's gangbusters go after Al Capone in Brian De Palma's entertaining drama, filled with bullets, blood, and thoughtful dialogue by playwright David Mamet. With Kevin Costner, Sean Connery, Robert De Niro (120 min).
Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149). Progs 2.30, 5.15, 8.00. .
Cannon Edgware Road (01- 723 5901). Progs 2.35, 5.25, 8.25.
⊠ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01- 370 2636). Progs 2.00, 6.00, 9.10.
⊠ **Empire Leicester Square** (01-437 1234, cc 01-930 7615). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 6.00, 8.30.

■ **THE WITCHES OF EASTWICK (18):** Jack Nicholson's Satanic stranger dominates this bumpy adaptation of John Updike's clever novel about the battle of the sexes. With Susan Sarandon, Cher, Michelle Pfeiffer. George Miller directs.
Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue (01-836 6279). Progs 2.20, 5.20, 8.15.
Cannon Fulham Road (01-370 2636). Progs 2.15, 6.10, 9.15.

The characters in John Burrows's new musical play, *It's a Girl!*, previewing from tomorrow at the re-opened Bush Theatre, are five pregnant women, played by (from left, above) Beccy Wright, Buffy Davis, Nicola Sloane, Jane Nash and Stephanie Sales. The women, refined Celia, ecologist Mina, determined Linda, thirsty Mary and coarse Eve, sing of the symptoms they can expect while expecting. It may sound a daft idea for a song but this and the dozen others by Andy Whitfield, written in five-part harmony with no accompaniment, are exhilaratingly witty and help to project the show's sense of female solidarity. First seen at the Duke's Theatre, Lancaster, last spring, it has since made a national tour which included a season at the Edinburgh Festival. Restoring the Bush (severely damaged by a fire in the electrics last June), upgrading the safety provisions and making technical improvements, is costing about £70,000 but support from the membership and from the profession has been high. Ironically, the production that had to be cancelled in June was called *Effie's Burning*. At least this show has the happier associations of rebirth. Bush Theatre, Bush Hotel, Shepherd's Bush Green, London W12. (01-743 3388). Previews October 27, 28, 8pm. First night October 29, 7pm. Then: Tuesday to Sunday, 8 pm. £5. *Jeremy Kingston*

GALLERIES

SUCCESS BY DESIGN: Nearly 200 years of corporate design at W.H.Smith.
Henry Moore Gallery, Royal College of Art, Kensington Gore, London SW7 (01-730 1200), Mon-Sat 9.30am-5pm, free, until November 13.

FOLIO ONE: Prints by Slade and Central School graduates.
St Pancras Library, 100 Euston Road, London NW1 (01-278 4444), Mon-Thurs 9.30am-8pm, Fri 9.30am-6pm, Sat 9.30am-5pm, free, until November 22.

ANDREW HEWKIN: Paintings from recent travels in China.
Hamilton's Gallery, 13 Carlos Place, London W1 (01-499 9493). Mon-Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 10am-5pm, free, until November 14.

PHILIP STEVENS: Memorable landscapes in the romantic English tradition of Turner.
Paton Gallery, 2 Langley Court, Covent Garden, London WC2, Tues-Sat 11am-6pm, free, until October 31.

TRACES: Sculptures re-presenting familiar objects in unfamiliar settings and arrangements by Daniel Brandely (France), Wasa Marjanov (Yugoslavia), and Raffael Rheinsberg (Germany).
Ikon Gallery, 58-72 John Bright Street, Birmingham (021 643 0708), Tues-Sat 10am-6pm, free, until November 16.

JEFFREY DELLOW: Landscape paintings combining abstract picture qualities with narrative; the artist's first one-man show.
Castlefield Gallery, *5 Campfield* Avenue Arcade, Manchester (061 832 8034), Tues-Sat 10.30am-5pm, Sun noon-4.30pm, free, until November 21.

DRAWINGS BY ARTISTS IN 17th CENTURY ROME: Caracci, Salvator Rosa and Guercino feature in this scholarly review.
National Gallery of Scotland, The Mound, Edinburgh (031 556 8921), Mon-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 2-5pm, free, until December 27.

SEAN SCULLY: Abstract paintings by an Old Master of the genre, who now lives in New York.
Mayor Rowan Gallery, 31A Bruton Place, London W1 (01-499 3011), Mon-Fri 10am-5.30pm, Sat 10am-4pm, free, until November 12.

RICHARD BOLTON, ASHTON CANNELL, WILLIAM DAVIES AND CHARLES SUTTON: Recent works by four traditional landscape painters.
Linda Blackstone Gallery, The Old Slaughterhouse, 13 High Street, Pinner, Middx (01-868 5765). Wed-Sat 10am-6pm, free, until November 7.

DANCE

☆ **STRAVINSKY BALLETS:** Bernard Haitink conducts *The Firebird, Scènes de Ballet* and *The Rite of Spring* for the Royal Ballet.
Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2 (01-240 1066), 7.30-10pm, £1-£30.

☆ **MARC VANRUNXT:** Choreographer from Belgium makes his British debut.
ICA Theatre, The Mall, London SW1 (01-930 3647), 8-9.30pm, £2.45.

☆ **THE NUTCRACKER:** Peter Schaufuss's production for London Festival Ballet.
Marlowe Theatre, St Margaret's Street, Canterbury (0227 67246), 7.30-9.30pm, £3.50-£7.50.

CONCERTS

LUNCHTIME

☆ **FROM POLAND:** The Polish Radio Chamber Orchestra plays Suk's Serenade Op 6 and Bacewicz's Concerto.
St John's, Smith Square, London SW1 (01-222 1061), 1-2pm. £2.50.

☆ **IRBY/SCOTT:** Carol Irby, with Francis Scott at the piano, performs violin sonatas by Mozart (K 301) and Brahms (Op 108) and the second of Smetana's *Heimat* pieces.
American Church in London, 79 Tottenham Court Road, London WC1 (01-580 2791), 1.05-1.50pm, free.

☆ **FRY LUNCH:** Anthea Fry offers Beethoven's Piano Sonata Op 81a "Les Adieux," *Andante* W00 57, a brace of Debussy *Etudes* and his *Images* I.
St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, London WC1 (01-839 1930), 1.05-2pm, free.

☆ **MISTRY MUSIC:** The Mistry Quartet present a Frank Bridge *Phantasie*, Schubert's *Quartettsatz* D 703 and Haydn's Quartet Op 50 No 1.
St Anne and St Agnes, Gresham Street, London EC2 (01-373 5566), 1.10-1.50pm, free.

☆ **DARKE MEMORIAL:** The ninth Harold Darke Memorial Recital is given by John Hatton, winner of the Harold Darke and Walford Davies Prizes, who plays organ music by Popplewell, Montgomery, Howells, Darke and Bach.
St Michael, Cornhill, London EC3, 1-2pm, free.

EVENING

☆ **MAURIZIO POLLINI:** This great pianist interprets Debussy's twelve *Etudes* and a large Chopin group including the Barcarolle Op 60 and Polonaise-Fantasy Op 61.
Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 928 8800), 7.30pm, £3-£15.

☆ **RAVEL'S RAVEL:** *Winners of* the Belgrade International Competition, the Trio Ravel are heard in Ravel's Piano Trio, Haydn's Trio Hob XV/18 and Schubert's Trio D 929.
Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore Street, London W1 (01-935 2141), 7.30pm, £2.50-£5.

☆ **ROBERTS RECITAL:** Besides the UK première of some Maurice Ohana *Etudes* composed for him, Paul Roberts plays Bartók's Piano Suite Op 14, Falla's *Fantasia Baetica* and selections from Debussy's *Etudes*, de Severac's *En Vacances* and Albeniz's *Iberia*.
Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 928 8800), 7.30pm, £3-£6.

☆ **PAUL'S PROPOSITIONS:** Tomy Reilly solos in Paul Patterson's *Propositions* for harmonica and strings with the Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields, who add Wagner's *Siegfried Idyll* and Brahms's Serenade Op 11.
Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 928 8800), 7.45pm, £3-£7.

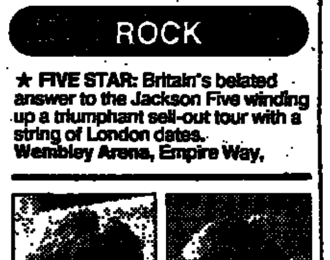
ROCK

★ **FIVE STAR:** Britain's belated answer to the Jackson Five winding up a triumphant sell-out tour with a string of London dates.
Wembley Arena, Empire Way, Middlesex (01-902 1234) 7.30pm, £10.50-£12.50, also tomorrow.

☆ **THE FLAMIN' GROOVIES:** See caption.
Mean Fiddler, 28a Harlesden High Street, London NW10 (01-961 5490) 9pm, £5.

☆ **THE RAMONES:** Clem Burke has now left Joey and his chums, confirming the Ramones as the hardest group on their drummers since Spinal Tap.
Academy, 211 Stockwell Road, London SW9 (01-326 1022) 7pm, £7.50.

★ **CHRIS REA:** Gorgeous guitar sounds and an ultra laid-back delivery from the gruff-voiced northerner, promoting the estimable *Dancing With Strangers*.
SECC, Finnieston Street, Glasgow (041 248 3000), 7.30pm, £7.50-£8, for two nights.



That arch-cult band from San Francisco, the Flamin' Groovies, was formed in 1965 by the vocalist/guitarist Cyril Jordan (above right) and the bassist George Alexander (above left). The group's manic garage band approach to their jangly Rickenbacker guitar music worked better in the Seventies' context of the American new wave than it did during the laid-back hippy era but, either way, their engaging, up-tempo show, generously dipped in the aspic of nostalgia, is hardly out of place given the prevailing mood of ennui.

JAZZ

☆ **ANITA O'DAY:** The veteran singer opens the Lewisham Jazz Festival, alongside the James Moody Quartet.
Lewisham Theatre, Rushey Green, London SE6 (01-690 3431), 8pm, £6-£7.50.

☆ **CLEO LAINE:** Unbelievably 60 this year, she appears with John Dankworth, Eddie Daniels, the LSO and others in a fund-raising gala for the Wavendon Allmusic Trust.
Barbican Centre, Silk Street, London EC2 (01-628 8795), 7.45pm, £3-£15.

☆ **IRAKERE:** Chucho Valdes's percussion-based ensemble has been in crackling form. For their final week, support comes from the Alan Skidmore Quartet.
Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (01-439 0747), 9.30pm, £8 (£2 for members).

OPERA

☆ **MOZART AND SALIERI:** Rimsky-Korsakov's little opera on the great rivalry, in an English translation by John Warrack. Performed as part of Oxford Opera's festival fortnight.
Holywell Music Room (0865 721936), 8-9.15pm, £2.

WALKS

THE JEWISH EAST END: meet Aldgate tube, 11am, £3.

HISTORY OF THE COCKNEYS: meet St Paul's tube, 11am, £3.

CUBBY HOLES OF COVENT GARDEN: meet Embankment tube, 2pm, £2.50.

THE SHERLOCK HOLMES TRAIL: meet Baker Street tube, 11am, £2.50.

SHAKESPEARE'S LONDON: meet Museum of London, 2.30pm, £2.50.

OTHER EVENTS

AUGUSTINE'S AUTUMN FESTIVAL: Music and poetry by members of the St James's Independent Schools.
Augustine's Church, Queens Gate, South Kensington, London, SW7 6pm.

HORNIMAN WORKSHOPS: Half-term activities for eight year olds *and above. Daily this* week,10.30am-12.30pm, 1.30-3.30pm. Today: "Indian miniatures." Also a parent and toddlers music group for under-sixes with percussion, musical games, rhymes and action songs. 10.30-11.15am daily.
Horniman Museum, London Road, Forest Hill, London SE23 (01-699 2339). Workshops free but numbers limited. Music sessions £2.50 for the week.

FELT MAKING IS FUN: Practical sessions with Freda Walker; make your own snakes or necklaces.
Visitors' Centre, Lake District National Park, Brockhole, Windermere, Cumbria. (09662 6601). Noon. £1.20, five-to-17-year-olds 50p, under-fives free, plus £1 for *materials*.

HALF-TERM TREAT: The Magic Roundabout Company presents Punch and Judy, magic shows, disco, jumping castles and swingboats and other entertainments.
The Cresset, Bretton Centre, Bretton, Peterborough. (0733 265705). Today, tomorrow 10.30am-1pm, 1.30pm-4pm. £1.50 per session, £2.50 per day.

CARE BEARS MAGIC SHOW: Children's show featuring the toy/cartoon characters.
Campus West Theatre, Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire (0707 332880). 11am and 2.30pm. £2.50.

SINGAROUND: For aspiring folk singers, musicians and poets.
Fairfield Bar, Fairfield Halls, Park Lane, Croydon (01-688 9291). 8pm. £1.

BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

EDUCATING RITA: Voucher booking opens for Willy Russell's play. Dec 16-Jan 30. General booking from Nov 2.
New Vic, Theatre Royal, King Street, Bristol (0272 264388).

LONDON FILM FESTIVAL: 31st, with 140 films from 40 countries, including Tony Palmer's *Testimony*, based on diaries of Shostakovich; The silent *Ben-Hur*, to live score by Carl Davis with LPO; *Battleship Potemkin* accompanied by Brabant Orchestra; *Steve Reich: A New Musical Language*; Mike Hodge's *A Prayer for the Dying*; Stephen Frears' *Sammy and Rosie Get Laid*. Leicester Square becomes focal point, other venues include the ICA, Palladium and NFT. Nov 11-29. Booking now open to NFT members; general public from Nov 5.
National Film Theatre, South Bank, London SE1. (01-928 3232).

MIGUEL LITTIN: Chilean film-maker discusses his work; to coincide with season of his films. Nov 9.
National Film Theatre, South Bank, London SE1. (01-928 3232).

LAST CHANCE

LOOT: Final week of Joe Orton's farce.
Theatre Royal, King Street, Bristol. (0272 264388).

MUSIC IN FRAMES: Photographers, illustrators and graphic artists capture jazz music and musicians for magazines. Ends Sat.
Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1. (0-928 3002).

MENISCUS: Photographers from San Francisco State University; slightly surreal.
National Centre of Photography, *The Octagon*, Milsom Street, Bath. Ends Sat. (0225 62841).

BOND WINNERS

Winning numbers in the weekly draw for Premium Bond prizes are: £100,000: **21KP 821684** (the winner lives in Halifax); £50,000: **8VF 784507** (North Humberside); £25,000: **23PN 132703** (London borough of Kensington and Chelsea).

Theatre: Jeremy Kingston; **Films:** Geoff Brown; **Concerts:** Max Harrison; **Opera:** Hilary Finch; **Rock:** David Sinclair; **Jazz:** Clive Davis; **Dance:** John Percival; **Galleries:** David Lee; **Walks and Talks:** Greta Carslaw; **Other Events:** Judy Froshaug; **Bookings:** Anne Whitehouse.

ENTERTAINMENTS

CONCERTS

BARBICAN HALL 638 8891/628 8795 Ton't 7 45 1987 ALLMUSIC CHARITY GALA London Symphony Orchestra. Guests inc Cleo Laine John Dankworth John Williams.

EXHIBITIONS

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OPERA & BALLET

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TELEVISION AND RADIO

Compiled by Peter Dear
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BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM. News headlines, weather, travel and sports bulletins.

6.35 Edgar Kennedy in Kitchen Cynic (b/w) (r). **6.55 Weather.**

7.00 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough, Sally Magnusson and Jeremy Paxman. Includes national and international news at **7.00, 7.30, 8.00** and **8.30**; regional news and travel reports at **7.15, 7.45** and **8.15**; and weather at **7.25, 7.55** and **8.25. 8.55** Regional news and weather.

9.00 News and weather followed by **Neighbours** (r).

9.20 World Cup Cricket continued from BBC2. Live coverage of the game in Jaipur between England and the West Indies. The commentators are Tony Lewis, Ray Illingworth and Jack Bannister. Includes news at approximately 10.00.

10.25 Children's BBC. Andy Crane with programme news and birthday greeting followed by **Play School** presented by Carol Chell. The guests are Floella Benjamin and Stuart Bradley (r).

11.00 World Cup Cricket. The closing overs of the game in Jaipur between England and the West Indies.

12.00 News and weather followed by **Daytime Live** with Pamela Armstrong, Alan Titchmarsh and Ross Davidson. The guests include Rabbi Lionel Blue and Hazel O'Connor **12.55** Regional news and weather.

1.00 One O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. Weather **1.30 Neighbours.** Clive takes on a business commission from Nikki and lands himself in an awkward position **1.50 Going for Gold.** International quiz game presented by Henry Kelly.

2.15 Ironside. The wheelchair-bound policeman searches for a missing Russian athlete. Starring Raymond Burr (r). **3.05 Hudson and Halls.** The New Zealand cooks are joined by guest Henry Cooper. **3.30 The Pink Panther Show** (r).

3.50 Jimbo and the Jet Set (r). **4.00 What's Inside?** presented by Floella Benjamin **4.10 Ratman** with Alexei Sayle **4.20 Ewoks 4.40 Beat the Teacher.** Quiz game presented by Bruno Brookes.

4.55 Newsround 5.05 Blue Peter.

5.35 Masterteam 87. Quiz game for teams presented by Angela Rippon.

6.00 Six O'Clock News with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell. Weather.

6.35 London Plus.

7.00 Wogan. On tonight's guest list are Humphrey Lyttelton, with his trumpet, Andy Sheppard and his saxophone, Stuart Devlin, the Queen's goldsmith, with a £1 million working diamond egg, and La Toya Jackson, sister of singer Michael.

7.35 Doctor Who. The last episode of the adventure *Paradise Towers* starring Sylvester McCoy and Bonnie Langford. (Ceefax)

8.00 Brush Strokes. Comedy series starring Karl Howman as an amorous painter and decorator. (Ceefax)

8.30 Whatever Next... Game show presented by Noel Edmonds.

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis and Debbie Thrower. Regional news and weather.

9.30 Panorama: Poll Tax — What Price on Your Head? Fred Emery reports from around the country on the feelings about the Government's proposed community charge.

10.10 Lovejoy. Comedy drama series about an East Anglian antiques dealer. Starring Ian McShane (r). (Ceefax)

11.00 Film 87 presented by Barry Norman includes a review of *Aria* and Richard Attenborough talking about his new film *Cry Freedom.*

11.30 Micro File (r).

11.55 Weather.

BBC2

3.25 World Cup Cricket. Live coverage of the game in Jaipur between England and the West Indies. (continues on BBC1)

9.15 Daytime on Two: working with the elderly and handicapped **9.38** Living in bed-sit land **10.00** For the very young **10.15** The sound of words **10.40** Thinkabout **11.00** Episode two of a Viking drama **11.20** Part three of *Buddy* **11.45** The mountain fortress of Masada **12.08** Stalin and the modernization of Russia **12.30** Songs of protest **1.00** Sixth sense **1.20** For the young **1.38** The Gunpowder Plot **2.00 News** and weather followed by words and pictures.

2.17 Songs of Praise from Oban (r). (Ceefax) **2.50 Cameo: Eye of the wind** (r).

3.00 News and weather followed by **World Gymnastics Championships. 3.50 News,** regional news and weather.

4.00 Bazaar includes advice from Jerry Shulman, the celebrated community pharmacist, on who is exempt from prescription charges and how to avoid them altogether by buying proprietary medicines over the counter. **4.30 Noticeboard.** News of radio and television programmes.

4.35 Poldark. Episode one of the 16-part romantic serial starring Robin Ellis (r).

5.30 Film: The Saint Meets the Tiger (1941, b/w) starring Hugh Sinclair. The Saint becomes a murder suspect after a body is found on his doorstep. Directed by Paul Stein.

6.35 World Cup Cricket. Highlights of the England v West Indies game

7.15 Food and Drink Special. Sheffield council driver John Wilcock has second thoughts about French cooking.

8.00 Seven Ages. The over-Eighties. (Ceefax)

9.00 Film: Smooth Talk (1985) starring Treat Williams and Laura Dern. The story of an adolescent's gradual awareness of her sexuality. Directed by Joyce Chopra.

10.30 Newsnight 11.15 Weather.

11.20 Telejournal includes a news bulletin by RTBF, Belgium's public service channel. Ends **11.50**

ITV/LONDON

6.00 TV-am introduced by Kay Burley and Mike Morris.

7.00 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Richard Keys. Includes news at **7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** and **9.00**; cartoon at **7.25**; sport at **7.40**; and pop music at **7.55.** Plus, Jimmy Greaves's television highlights.

9.00 Wacaday with Timmy Mallett.

9.25 Thames news headlines.

9.30 Runway. Travel quiz presents by Chris Serle **10.00 Santa Barbara.** Tawdry American soap **10.25 News headlines 10.30 The Time... The Place...** Mike Scott chairs a discussion on a topical subject.

11.10 Let's Pretend to the tale of the *Farmer Who Could Welly Dance* **11.25 Thames news** headlines **11.30 Stepfamily.** The second and final part of the drama about a young girl coming to terms with her mother's new husband. **12.00 The Sullivans.**

12.30 News with Julia Somerville **12.50 Thames news.**

1.00 Film: The Brothers (1947, b/w) starring Patricia Roc and Will Fyffe. A feud between two families living on one of the remote western isles of Scotland is fuelled by the arrival a beautiful woman from the mainland. Directed by David MacDonald.

3.00 Single in London. The first of six programmes examining the challenges facing single people of all ages living in London **3.25 Thames news headlines 3.30 The Young Doctors.** Medical drama serial set in a large Australian city hospital.

4.00 Tickle on the Tum. Village tales for children (r). **4.10 The Adventures of Tintin 4.20 Disney's Duck Tales 4.45 Knightmare.** Fantasy game show.

5.15 Blockbusters. General knowledge quiz game for teenagers.

5.45 News with Alastair Stewart **6.00 Thames news.**

6.25 Help. Advice from the Public Health Laboratory Service on who is more liable to contract influenza.

6.35 Crossroads.

7.00 The Krypton Factor. The Group B final features competitors from Exeter, Bridlington, Chester and Kirkmichael. Presented by Gordon Burns. (Oracle)

7.30 Coronation Street. Gloria returns from holiday looking happy — but Alec plans to change the look on her face. (Oracle)

8.00 Executive Stress. Comedy series starring Penelope Keith and Peter Bowles. (Oracle)

8.30 World in Action: Your Life in Tired Hands. A report on Britain's overworked junior hospital doctors and their inability to make the right decisions after exceptionally long hours of duty.

9.00 The Bill. The officers of Sun Hill police station have trouble with youngsters in this week's episode. (Oracle)

10.00 News at Ten and weather followed by Thames news headlines.

10.30 Magnum. The sun-kissed detective helps a rabbi recover a sacred antique.

11.30 Beginners Please. The second programme in the series on Sheila Nelson's group teaching ideas.

12.00 I Spy. Vintage espionage series starring Robert Culp and Bill Cosby.

1.00 Sportsworld Extra. Tennis, boxing and European football.

2.30 News headlines followed by **Taxi.** American comedy series.

3.00 Film: Wonder Man (1954) starring Danny Kaye, Virginia Mayo and Vera-Ellen. Comedy about a staid twin who takes over his extrovert brother's comedy cabaret act after he is killed by gangsters. Directed by Bruce Humberstone.

5.00 ITN World News 5.30 CNN Headline News. Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

9.30 Schools.

12.00 Business Daily. Business and financial news service presented by Susannah Simons.

12.30 Just 4 Fun. Entertainment of the young.

1.00 Open Exchange. Weekly magazine programme for those involved in open learning.

2.00 The Late Late Show. Music and chat show from Dublin presented by Gay Byrne.

3.00 The Irish RM. The Major hunts with the Curranhilty Harriers but is unsuccessful and lends his horse to Bobbie Bennett, a chivalrous action that earns him the enmity of the Master of the Harriers, Tomsy Flood (r).

4.00 Mavis on 4. Mavis Nicholson meets two people of different generations in the same job who discuss their lives and work. Today, a retired coal miner remembers life before the Second World War and a modern miner talks about the industry becoming more efficient and competitive.

4.30 Countdown.

5.00 The Munsters (b/w). Vintage American comedy series about a ghoulish family.

5.30 The Beverly Hillbillies (b/w). Elly May goes on her first Beverly Hills date.

6.00 *Off the Page: Angela Carter.* (see Choice)

6.30 Changing Times. The People's Palace in Glasgow (r).

7.00 Channel 4 News.

7.50 Comment followed by **Weather.**

8.00 Brookside. Debbie and Damon reach a crisis point in their relationship. (Oracle).

8.30 Lou Grant. The *Trib* investigates a long-unsolved murder involving names from the golden years of Hollywood.

9.25 The Refuge. Comedy series.

9.55 4 Minutes: Who Cares? Thugs threaten an elderly couple (r).

10.00 The Divided Union. Part four of the history of the American Civil War. (Oracle)

11.00 The Eleventh Hour: The People's Flag. Part one of a series tracing the story of the British Labour movement. (Oracle)

12.05 Sweet Disaster: Babylon. A series of animated films about the end of the world (r).

12.20 Their Lordships' House. Ends at **12.35.**

Today – via yesterday

TELEVISION CHOICE

Angela Carter: writer of stories to be read after dark and by the fire: Off the Page, on Channel 4, 6.00pm

● The novelist Angela Carter is always good value for money, and in **Off the Page** (Channel 4, 6.00pm) she talks about writing ("I never wanted to") and reads from her work. Her fantastic imagination is apparently easy to explain: she does not write, as is common now, to get in touch with herself. "I'm amazed at the way people think that their lives are interesting enough to write about," she says. "I've always had to make things up." She is our most primeval writer, slowly working her way back, through Gothic, towards a kind of poetic reverie associated with the folk tale. Her stories should preferably be read after dark, and in front of a fire. Among her influences are medieval literature for its combination of zest, playfulness and seriousness, and *Alice Through the Looking Glass* ("I never had much time for *Alice in Wonderland*") with its dizzy sense of images endlessly repeated within themselves. This leads inevitably to a fascination with cinema – people experiencing the same dream, in effect, in darkened space. It is tempting to propose her as a literary sister to J.G. Ballard, exploring backwards, in the way that Ballard goes forward, to arrive at a present. This present has a secondary, concrete meaning: Carter writes with the reader in mind, which is quite unusual today, and sees a book as an object transferred from the writer to the reader. (Time is clearly an obsession with her, and, on the question of obsessions, she says that she tries to restrict them to one at a time.) A feature of her work is a cruel, just wit (she is an apologist for the Marquis de Sade). Angela Carter will probably be best appreciated by posterity.

Chris Petit

Radio 1

MW (medium wave). Stereo on VHF (see below)

News on the half-hour from **6.30** am until **8.30** pm, then at **10.00** and **12.00** midnight

5.30 am Nicky Campbell **7.00** Mike Smith's Breakfast Show **9.30** Simon Bates **12.30** pm Newsbeat (Frank Partridge) **12.45** Gary Davies **3.00** Steve Wright **5.30** Newsbeat **5.45** Bruno Brookes **7.30** Janice Long **10.00-12.00** John Peel. **VHF** Stereo Radios 1 and 2: **4.00** am As Radio 2 **10.00** pm As Radio 1 **12.00-4.00** am As Radio 2.

Radio 2

MW (medium wave). Stereo on VHF

News on the hour. Sports Round-Up **8.50** am

4.00 am Colin Berry **5.30** Ray Moore **7.30** Derek Jameson **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.00** Jimmy Young **1.05** pm David Jacobs **2.00** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Adrian Love **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Alan Dell with Dance Band Days, and **7.30** Big Band Era **8.30** Big Band Special **9.00** Humphrey Lyttelton with the best of jazz on record **10.00** Some of These Days **10.30** Star Sound (for film fans. With John Benson) **11.00** Round Midnight **1.00** am Nightride **3.00-4.00** A Little Night Music.

WORLD SERVICE

All times are given in GMT

6.00 am Newsdesk **6.30** Londres Matin **7.00** News **7.09** Twenty-four Hours **7.30** Civilization. Intelligent, Seeks Similar **8.00** News **8.09** Reflections **8.15** Battle of Pollock's Crossing **8.30** Anything Goes **9.00** News **9.09** Review of British Press **9.15** Books **9.30** Financial News followed by Sports Roundup **9.45** Peebles' Choice **10.00** News **10.01** Nature of Miracles **10.30** Vintage Chart Show **11.00** News **11.09** News About Britain **11.15** Tech Talk **11.30** Londres Midi **12.00** Radio Newsreel **12.15** pm My Music **12.45** Sports Roundup **1.00** News **1.09** Twenty-four Hours **1.30** Anything Goes **2.00** Outlook **2.45** Man of Property **3.00** Radio Newsreel **3.15** The Nature of Miracles **3.45** Music for a While **4.00** News **4.09** Commentary **4.15** Cow and the Toreador **4.30** A-Z of Hollywood **4.45** World Today **5.00** News **5.09** Book Choice **5.15** English by Radio **5.45** Londres Soir **6.30** Heute Aktuell **8.00** News **8.09** Twenty-Four Hours **8.30** Sports International **9.00** News **9.01** Network UK **9.15** Cow and the Toreador **9.30** Vintage Chart Show **10.00** News **10.09** World Today **10.30** Financial News **10.40** Reflections **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News **11.09** Commentary **11.15** Way Up to Heaven **11.30** Multitrack 1 **12.00** World News **12.09** am News About Britain **12.15** Radio Newsreel **12.30** Solti at 75 **1.00** News **1.01** Outlook **1.30** Story **1.45** Cow and the Toreador **2.00** News **2.09** Review of British Press **2.15** Network UK **2.30** Sports International **3.00** News **3.09** News About Britain **3.15** World Today **3.30** John Peel **4.00** Newsdesk **4.30** Six Four Eight **4.35** Financial News **4.45** Morgenmagazin **5.45** World Today

Radio 3

3.30 am. Cricket (World Cup). England v West Indies. On VHF and MW, but on MW only from **6.55am**. Until **11.20**am.

6.55 Weather **7.00** News

7.05 Morning Concert: Prokofiev (Lieutenant Kijé: London Symphony Orchestra under Claudio Abbado), Grieg (Arietta, Op 12 No 1; Berceuse, Op 38 No 1: Gilels, piano), Mozart (Symphony No 36: Columbia SO under Bruno Walter)

8.00 News

8.05 Concert (continued): Beethoven (Piano Concerto No 2: Murray Perahia, with Concertgebouw Orchestra under Bernard Haitink)

9.00 World Service News

9.10 This Week's Composer: Brahms. Gypsy Songs, Op 103 Nos 8 to 10 (Edith Mathis, soprano; Brigitte Fassbaender, mezzo; Peter Schreier, tenor; Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau, baritone; Karl Engel, piano); Sonata No 2 in A major Op 100 (Itzhak Perlman, violin, and Vladimir Ashkenazy, piano), Gypsy Songs Op 103, Nos 1 to 7 and 11 (Jessye Norman, soprano), and other songs including Immer leiser wird mein (Norman, soprano)

10.00 Purcell and Handel: Maggie Cole (harpsichord) plays Handel's Suite No 1 in A major, and Purcell's Ground in C minor, and Suite No 5 in C

10.25 BBC Scottish SO under George Hurst. Weber (Der Freischütz overture), Brahms (Symphony No 4)

11.20 Music for Oboe and String Quartet: Richard Weigall (oboe), with Bochmann String Quartet. Beethoven (String Quartet in F minor Op 95), and Bliss (Quintet for oboe and strings)

12.10 Piano recital: Barry Douglas plays Bach's Partita No 5 in G, BWV 829; and Mussorgsky's Pictures from an Exhibition **1.00** News

1.05 BBC Lunchtime Concert: Polish Radio Chamber Orchestra under Agnieszka Duczmal. Strauss (Sextet, Capriccio), Suk (Serenade in E flat, Op 6), Bacewicz (Concerto for string orchestra)

2.00 Music Weekly: with Michael Oliver. Includes an interview with the violinist Gyorgy Pauk, and William Mann on the early years of *Don Giovanni*. Also a conversation on technology and the composer, involving Simon Emmerson, Jonathan Harvey, Denis Smalley and Javier Alvarez (r)

2.45 New Records: Rimsky-Korsakov (Tsar Sultan suite: Philharmonia Orchestra under Ashkenazy), Debussy (Deux arabesques: Kathryn Stott, piano), Koechlin (Amphise et Melita: Claudette Leblanc, soprano, with Boaz Sharon, piano), Ravel (Introduction and Allegro: members of Czech Nonet), Saint-Saens (Piano Concerto No 4: Jean-Philippe Collard, with RPO under Andre Previn), Koechlin (Sept chansons pour Gladys: Leblanc, soprano), Scriabin (Sonata No 6: Ashkenazy, piano), Prokofiev (Symphony No 4: French National Orchestra under Mstislav Rostropovich)

5.00 World Service News

5.10 Mainly for Pleasure: musical selection about towns and cities — and a look ahead to next year's holiday season. Presented by Brian Kay **6.55** News

7.00 Organ Music: Donald Hunt, in Worchester Cathedral, plays Elgar's Cantique Op 3 No 1; Hugh Blair's Sonata; and Basil Harwood's Paean, Op 15 No 3

7.30 In Order to Form a More Perfect Union: Lord Rawlinson of Ewell examines the rifts between the United States Executive and Congress, and the new political signifance of the Supreme Court. The contributors also include Charles Fried; Associate Justice4 Lewis Powell; Chief Justice Warren Burger; Arthur Schlesinger; and Archibald Cox, Solicitor-General to President Kennedy (r)

8.20 Hans Gal: a performance of his cantata on 16th century poetry, De profundis. Introduced by Kenneth Leighton. With BBC Concert Orchestra (under Simon Joly), BBC Singers, and soloists Marie Slorach (soprano), Jean Rigby (contralto), David Johnston (tenor), and Roderick Earle (bass)

9.40 Elephants: Heathcote Williams's celebration is read by Williams himself and Natasha Pyne

10.00 Jazz Today: Charles Fox presents Alan Skidmore Trio

11.00 Piano recital: Staffan Scheja plays Stenhammar's Three Fantasies, Op 11; Liszt's Sonetto 104 del Petrarca; and Funérailles; and Ravel's Gaspard de la nuit

11.57 News **12.00** Closedown

Erika Hoffman: in Brush Strokes, BBC1, 8.00pm

VARIATIONS

BBC1 WALES 5.35pm-6.00 Wales Today 6.35-7.00 Russell Grant 11.55-12.35am Rugby Special 12.35-12.40 News and weather SCOTLAND 10.50am-11.00 Seall Seol 6.35pm-7.00 Reporting Scotland 10.10-10.40 Castles of Scotland (Comyn's Tower) 10.40-11.30 Lovejoy 11.55-12.25am Film 87 NORTHERN IRELAND 5.35pm Today's Sport 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster 6.35-7.00 Masterteam 11.55-12.35am Network East 12.35-12.40 News and weather ENGLAND 6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazines.

ANGLIA As London except: 12.50pm News 1.00 Film: Captains Courageous 3.00-3.30 Nothing but the Best 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm 6.00 About Anglia 6.30-7.00 EYE Watch 10.30-1.00am Film: Triple Cross 5.00 Prizewinners 5.30 At the Maintenance Shop (Long John Baldry) 6.00 Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 12.00 Gardening Time 12.50 News 1.00 Film: A Bell for Adano* 2.55-3.30 Workout 3.30-4.00 Sons and Daughters 6.00-6.35 News 10.30 Fight Night Special 11.30 Prisoner: Cell Block H 12.25am Film: Battleflag 2.40 Cloughie's Golden Oldies 3.10 News, Jobfinder.

CHANNEL As London except: 12.00-12.30pm Gardening Time 12.50 News 1.00 Film: Rains of Ranchipur* 3.00 Whose Baby? 3.30-4.00 Take the High Road 6.00-6.35 Channel Report 10.30 Questions 11.20 Hammer House of Mystery and Suspense 12.35am Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 12.00-12.30pm Gardening Time 12.50 News 1.00 Count of Monte Cristo 2.45 Prairie Habitat 3.00-3.30 Bygones 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm 6.00 North Tonight 6.30-7.00 Out and About 10.30 Fight Night Special 11.30 Terry Neason Show 12.15am News, Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 12.30pm Granada Reports 1.00 Film: Tiger in the Smoke 2.45 Looks Familiar 3.30-4.00 Sons and Daughters 6.00 Granada Reports 6.30-7.00 Crossroads 10.30 Fight Night Special 11.30 Hammer House of Horror: The Two Faces of Evil 12.30am Closedown.

HTV WEST As London except: 12.50pm News 1.00 Film: Caprice 3.00-3.30 Moviemakers 6.00-7.00 News 10.30 Celebrity Bowls 11.00 Horror of Frankenstein 12.45am Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 6.00pm-7.00 Wales at Six 10.30-11.00 Wales — The 87 Report.

SCOTTISH As London except: 12.00-12.30pm Gardening Time 12.50 News 1.00 Film: They Who Dare 3.00 Starring the Actors 3.30 Cartoon 3.45-4.00 Trang Trang 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm 6.00 Scotland Today 6.20 Crimedesk 6.30-7.00 Out and About 10.30 Scottish Assembly 11.30 Prisoner From Cell Block H 12.25am Late Call 12.30 Twilight Zone 12.55 Closedown.

TSW As London except: 12.00-12.30pm Leave It to Mrs O'Brien 12.50 News 1.00 Film: Battlestar Galactica — The Movie 3.15-3.30 New Squadronaires 5.15-5.45 Crossroads 6.00 Today 6.30-7.00 Emmerdale Farm 10.32 America's Top Ten 11.00 Film: The Lovers 12.25am Postscript, Closedown.

TVS As London except: 12.00-12.30pm Gardening Time 12.50 News 1.00 Film: Rains of Ranchipur* 3.00 Whose Baby? 3.25-4.00 Take the High Road 6.00-6.35 Coast to Coast 10.30 Questions 11.20 Film: Paint Me a Murder 12.35am Company, Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 12.50pm News 1.00 Film: The Black Rose 3.15-3.30 Billboard 6.00-6.35 Northern Life 10.32 Fight Night Special 11.30 TX45 12.30am Fireside Chat

ULSTER As London except: 12.50pm Newstime 1.00 Film: Tiger Bay* 2.55 Workout 3.30-4.00 Sons and Daughters 6.00 Six Tonight 6.15-7.00 Six Tonight Extra 10.30 Shamrock, Rose and Thistle 11.00 Murder, She Wrote 11.55 Chalk and Talk 12.20am News

YORKSHIRE As London except: 12.00 9 to 5 12.50 News 1.00 Film: Last Feelings 2.50 Starring the Actors 3.20 Home Cookery 3.25 News 3.30-4.00 Country Practice 6.00 Calendar 6.30-7.00 Calendar Fashion 10.30 Calendar Commentary 11.00 Prisoner: Cell Block H 11.55 Fight Night 12.55am Jobfinder 1.25 Closedown.

S4C Starts: 9.30am Schools 12.00 Business Daily 12.30pm Countdown 1.00 Open College 2.00 Late Late Show 3.00 Irish RM 4.00 Llunlau Dydd Llun 4.10 Foltron 4.35 Hallbalw 5.00 Beverly Hillbillies* 5.30 Mavis on Four 6.00 Treasure Hunt 7.00 Newyddion Saith 7.30 Arolwg II 8.00 Hafod Haen 8.30 Y Byd Ar Bedwar 9.05 It's Our World 9.35 The Refuge 10.05 Play: Day on the Sands, by Alan Bennett 11.20 Politics of Food 12.20am Closedown.

Radio 4

LW (long wave). (s) Stereo on VHF

5.55 Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing; Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer (s)

6.30 Today, incl **6.30, 7.30, 8.30** News **6.45** Business News **6.55, 7.55** Weather **7.00, 8.00** News **7.25, 8.25** Sport **7.45** Thought for the Day

8.35 The Week on 4: programme trailers, presented by Gigi Callandar

8.42 Ian Skidmore in the BBC Sound Archives **8.57** Weather; Travel

9.00 News

9.05 Start the Week: Russell Harty anticipates the week ahead with studio guests

10.00 News; Money Box, presented by Louise Botting. The latest developments in the world of finance

10.30 Morning Story: A Dying Wish, by John Hunt. The reader is Dermot Crowley

10.45 Daily Service: with John Stuart Roberts (s)

11.00 News; Travel; Down Your Way: Astrologer Russell Grant heads over the Severn Bridge to Cardiff, his spiritual home (r)

11.50 Poetry Please! presented by Michael Ffinch. The readers are Ronald Pickup and June Barrie

12.00 News; You and Yours: presented by Susan Rae

12.25 Prompt! [New Series] Sheila Hancock conducts a theatre quiz with guests Keith Barron, Moira Lister, Martin Jarvis and Denise Coffey **12.55** Weather

1.00 The World at One

1.40 The Archers **1.55** Shipping

2.00 News; Woman's Hour: introduced by Jenni Murray. Includes an interview with Ilona Sekacz who writes the music for many stage productions. And Shelley Thompson and Lyndon Brook read Laurie Colwin's story French Movie

3.00 News; Play: Miracle at Devil's Bluff: by Williams Poulson. Cast includes Robert Beatty, Richard le Parmentier, and Bill Bailey. The setting: a dying township in Arizona which is turned into a kind of American Lourdes (r) (s)

4.15 That Learned Gentlewoman: Tony Seaton pieces together the life of the early feminist, Mary Astell. With Ann Aris as Mary Astell

4.30 Kaleidoscope: Phil Korbel follows the progress of a television dance portrait of L S Lowry through its rehearsals, with creators Gillian Lynne and Carl Davis (see Choice) (r)

5.00 pm PM **5.55** Shipping **5.55** Weather

6.00 News, incl Financial Report

6.30 The News Quiz: Barry Took hosts the quiz. With Alan Coren and Bill Tidy in competition with Ian Hislop and Joan Bakewell (r)

7.00 News

7.05 The Archers

7.20 The Food Programme! Derek Cooper presents his weekly defence of pure food at a fair price

7.45 Science Now: Presented by Peter Evans

8.15 Play: Naming the Names: by Anne Devlin: with Fiona Victory as the woman who unlocks her troubled mind to a man (Desmond McAleer) who exerts a strange power over her. Cast also includes Kenneth Cranham and Gerard McSorley (r) (s)

9.30 Give a Little Whistle: Johnny Morris views whistling in a new light including the amazing whistling language of the Canary Islanders of La Gomera

9.45 Kaleidoscope. with Paul Vaughan. Tonight's line-up includes the Genet double-bill of Deathwatch and The Maids, by the RSC at the Barbican in London; the film Bliss; and the Maggi Hambling exhibition at the Serpentine Gallery in London

10.15 A Book at Bedtime: Tarka the Otter, by Henry Williamson (6 of 10). The reader is David Davis

10.30 The World Tonight: presented by Michael Vestey

11.15 The Financial World Tonight

11.30 Today in Parliament

12.00 News; Weather

VHF as above except: **11.00am-12.00** For Schools. **11.00** Music Makers: Rumpelstiltskin **11.20** Let's Move! **11.40** The Music Box **11.50** See for Yourself **1.55-3.00** pm For Schools. **1.55** Listening Corner **2.05** Playtime **2.20** Science Scope **2.40** Whirligig: Animal Corner **5.50-5.55** PM (continued) **12.30-1.10** am Schools Night-Time. Geography: Our Changing World. **12.30** Perceptions of China **12.50** Population

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RADIO CHOICE

Gillian Lynne: R4, 4.30pm

● Somewhere along the line, today's **Kaleidoscope** (Radio 4, 4.30pm) loses its way, and by the time it finds it again, the half hour is all but up. When there is so much we want to know about the apparently impossible – turning L.S. Lowry and his life and work and his matchstick people into a ballet – who cares about why people take up dancing (if we don't know that by now, we never will), or why filming TV ballet is always such a headache? It is useful to learn that Christopher Gable (who dances Lowry) was influenced by the painter's habit of tilting his head forward as if listening to an inner voice, and that somehow Lowry's white-on-white brushwork has been linked by choreographer Gillian Lynne to the blackness of his despair over his mother's death. But what motivated Carl Davis when writing the music? Do the Lowry paintings inspire the sets? Do the mill-workers dance in funny boots? We do not hear from Mr Davis, though we do hear some of his music. Like Gillian Lynne, I, too, hope that at last something to do with dance has worked on TV. But I needed to know much more about the other something – the one that has to do with Lowry.

Peter Davalle

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Marconi raid will not be the last

By Robin Young

The Ministry of Defence swoop on the offices of Marconi Defence Systems and Marconi Secure Radio Systems in Portsmouth is likely to be repeated at other subsidiaries of GEC, Britain's biggest defence contractor.

The company is alleged to have defrauded the Ministry of Defence of tens of millions of pounds on contracts totalling billions over the past 15 years.

Opposition spokesmen served notice yesterday that the issue would be raised "as a matter of utmost urgency" during the two-day Commons defence debate this week.

GEC said it had nothing to hide and had been co-operating fully with the police in a nine-month fraud inquiry.

However, the Director of Public Prosecutions is directing police operations and has called for a wider and more detailed investigation.

Directors of GEC and Marconi said they were flabbergasted by the raid carried out by the Ministry of Defence police force's serious crimes squad last Friday.

"They arrived completely unannounced, commandeered all the entrances and exits and used a crowbar to break down a door", one said.

"Yet we have not been accused of anything yet and the police have been in those factories for months already getting whatever it was that they asked for. We simply have not got the faintest idea what is going on."

Ministry sources suggested last month that arrests in the affair were imminent. Now they say that the unsuspected scale of the alleged fraud is likely to mean that the inquiry will continue for several more months yet.

A ministry source said yesterday that many defence contracts involved more than one GEC subsidiary, and several of the companies shared management personnel or practices. "The scale was big when we started, but one thing led to another and the net has rapidly spread wider and wider".

Mr Michael Lester, director of legal affairs for GEC, said last night: "We have been co-operating with the MoD police since that start of the investigation and have made available to them all the documents they have requested.

"We have also conducted our own internal investigation and found nothing that warrants this kind of action against the company. We feel the police raid was both unnecessary and somewhat melodramatic."

The investigation began after a Marconi department headwas made redundant and handed police a dossier alleging fraud by company colleagues.

It is alleged that GEC subsidiaries made excessive profits on contracts and failed to pay royalties due on the sale of equipment originally designed and developed with government money.

Turner's romantic view threatened by a marina

One of the great romantic views in Britain is said to be threatened by plans to build a marina below the walls of Pembroke Castle, Dyfed (John Young writes).

The view across "The Pond", the local name for the stretch of tidal water that partially surrounds the castle (above), has inspired generations of painters, including Turner who painted the watercolour of Pembroke Castle (right) in 1829 and which is now in a collection at the Holburne of Menstrie Museum, Bath.

Objectors say that if the development is allowed the view will be lost.

Mr St John Perrot Stimson (above), who runs a small museum in the town which won a Prince of Wales' award recently describes it as "an act of environmental vandalism" and "the greatest threat to the castle since it was besieged by Cromwell in 1648".

"The Pond" is an arm of Milford Haven, on which the local authority erected a barrage some years ago to regulate the high tidal flow. However it gave rise to difficulties with sewage disposal, and South Pembrokeshire District Council has decided to spend £500,000 on new gates and other improvements.

Mr Philip Bement, the council's director of planning and technical services, said: "This is a lot of money for a small council to spend. Since we are going to be creating a new harbour, we decided to look at ways of allowing historic vessels, for example, to moor under the walls of the castle".

No commercial developer has been approached, but a report by a firm of consultants, which was sponsored by the Welsh Development Agency, envisages berths for 200 vessels, modern facilities for yachtsmen, waterside houses, a museum, shops, restaurants and a hotel.

It estimates that the development could bring up to 500,000 visitors a year to the town.

(Photograph: Denzil McNeelance).

Guerrillas destroy Band Aid convoy

By Andrew McEwen
Diplomatic Correspondent

An entire famine relief convoy has been destroyed by a rebel attack in the Ethiopian province of Tigre.

Sources in Nairobi said yesterday that Band Aid, which raised millions of pounds for drought victims, had financed the convoy. The charity's representatives in Ethiopia described the attack as a catastrophe.

The loss of the trucks, owned by the United Nations, was of more long-term concern than the destruction of their cargo.

First news of the attack came from a rebel radio station. It said that 34 vehicles were destroyed by guerrillas of the Eritrean Popular Liberation Front (EPLF) on Friday.

The convoy included 16 loaded food trucks, according to aid agency sources.

The rebel report said that the convoy set out from Asmara, the Eritrean capital, with supplies for the north-eastern town of Adigrat.

Government troops were sent ahead to clear the road of mines and to mount guard, which may have prompted the attack. In the past some agencies have refused military escorts, to show their neutrality in Ethiopia's 25-year civil war.

The EPLF is one of several groups fighting the Government in Addis Ababa for control of Tigre.

In a separate development, Oxfam agreed to help Ethiopia to rehabilitate agriculture in the east of the country with a package of measures worth about £600,000.

● In Khartoum, a French woman held by Ethiopian rebels since October 2 was released. Ms Sophie Bedon said that she was treated well during the three weeks she was held.

The Tigre People's Liberation Front said she had been in the Government's garrison town of Rama in northern Ethiopia when the front's forces overran it.

Insurance bonus scheme

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- ● The establishment of a crime prevention council as an anti-crime lobby linking the activities of neighbourhood watch schemes and crime prevention panels.
- ● A huge expansion in the 41,000 neighbourhood watch schemes and 300 crime prevention panels, persuading people to give regular or occasional support to the police as "eyes on the street."
- ● Work with architects, local authorities and local developers to design and refurbish housing estates in ways to make life more difficult for the criminals.
- ● Initiatives to take young people off the streets in the inner cities and find them alternative occupations, especially in school holidays. The peak ages for crime are the early teens.
- ● A new emphasis on reality and law and order topics in school lessons to attack the roots of criminality.

The new national body for crime prevention will include ministers, police and representatives of local authorities, the insurance industry and business, with heavy representation for neighbourhood watch schemes.

Mr Patten said in an interview with *The Times* that the new crime prevention body will not be a "bureaucratic paper chase

It is planned to be a forum in which all those interested in crime prevention of all sorts are drawn together in a genuine coalition of interest against crime and who see their main role as doing things at the grass roots.

Mr Douglas Hurd: Encouraging fight on crime

Mr Patten said the Home Office will open up a "second front" against crime. He said it was a "profound mistake" for citizens to believe that law and order can be left to the Home Office, the police and the courts.

He said: "We are not expecting the general public to substitute for the police but we want them to work with the police. The community has got to shoulder its responsibility for crime prevention."

What Mr Pattena and Mr Hurd are seeking to do is turn the Home Office from a reactiv, organization designed solely to limit damage into a creative department.

Mr Patten believes that crime prevention can bring down the inexorably rising figures.

Strike at NBC ends as contract accepted

New York (Reuter) — The NBC television network said that a 17-week strike by 2,800 employees ended when two local branches of the employees's union voted to accept a new contract offer.

The National Association of Broadcast Employees and Technicians said earlier last week that a majority had voted to accept a management offer for a three-year contract but said the strike would continue until all local branches ratified the offer.

An NBC spokeswoman said the two branches, in Burbank, California and in Chicago, approved the contract on Saturday afternoon.

A major issue in the strike against NBC, now owned by General Electric, was job security.

White House warns Russia

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wished to come to the United States, he's free to do so."

The Administration is struggling to regain the initiative after Mr Gorbachov's manoeuvre, which took it completely by surprise. Diplomatic observers here are expressing amazement that the Administration should have left itself so wide open to humiliation. Only a few days ago, Mr Reagan was saying that he looked forward to showing Mr Gorbachov around his California ranch.

In his weekly radio address, the President said flatly that he would make no concessions on Star Wars. He insisted that was in no hurry for a summit, and would not be pushed into "sacrificing essential interests" for one. He expressed optimism that there would still be a medium-range missiles accord.

Mr Shultz, interviewed on NBC television, said there was "a finite amount of time and a finite amount of patience" with Moscow's tactics. He declared that the Administration would not let the promise of a summit become "a bargaining chip of some kind". And he insisted that he did not feel he was being "jerked around" by Mr Gorbachov.

The White House still dearly wants a summit to sign an agreement banning medium-range missiles, and senior officials say that one would still be possible even as late as the beginning of next year.

Some officials speculated that Mr Gorbachov might insist on it being held in a third country.

January or February would be the very latest that the Senate could receive a superpower missiles accord if it is to get through the ratifification process before Washington becomes totally preoccupied with the election.

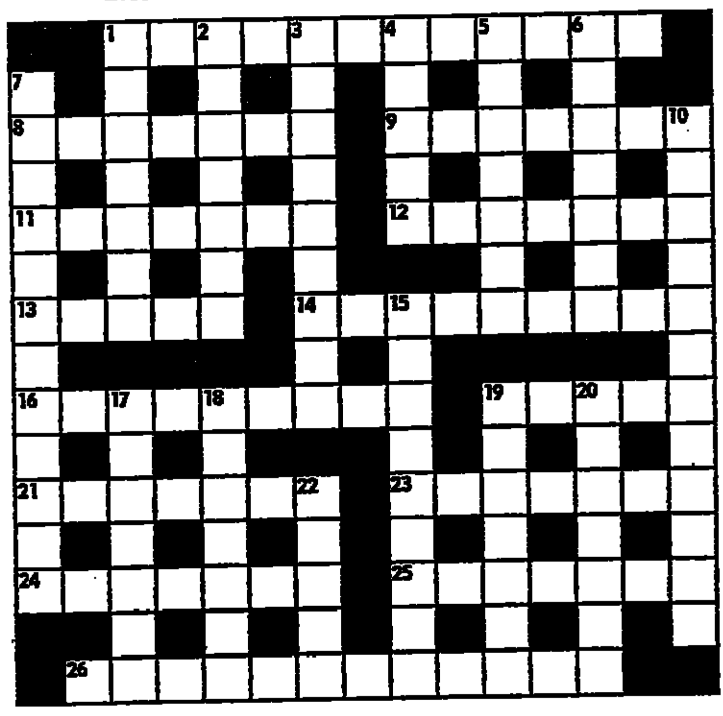
The White House was still waiting yesterday for a promised letter from Mr Gorbachov, spelling out his precise position on Star Wars and a medium-range missiles accord, and a summit.

Mr Carlucci insisted that a treaty was still within reach and was possibly only weeks away. He noted that it would not necessarily have to be signed in Washington.

Mr Shultz, too, went out of his way to say that a treaty was still likely because "we have basically worked out practically all the problems". The US would not be thrown off-track and when the Soviet Union was ready to sign "we'll be there".

● LOS ANGELES: Mr Carlucci has quoted Mr Gorbachov as suggesting a summit with President Reagan might be possible in December, the *Los Angeles Times* reported yesterday (Reuter reports).

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 17,497



ACROSS

1 They are for checking on beatings (12).
8 Not a berth in a caravan though it supports sleepers (4-3).
9 A roundabout device, however one may regard it (7).
11 The artist's laying it on thick (7).
12 'ardly descriptive of many clubs without members? (7).
13 Branch appears active, accepting small article (5).
14 Teams able to slip into lead for instance (4,5).
16 Local council supporter fined for speeding? (9).
19 Take up exercise after some trouble (5).
21 Former page learning to investigate (7).
23 Encourage to listen in before ten (7).
24 Fools are soon led astray (7).
25 Taking port to America — it's not controlled (7).
26 Possibly ten managed to stick together, which is fascinating (12).

DOWN

1 The casual worker has to move briskly (7).
2 A diplomatic retreat (7).
3 Wild hounds bark here in America (6,3).
4 Bearing with insubstantial rising in the country (5).
5 It's best to decide on one without speaking (7).
6 Beg in the town-centre — a tramp's way of life (7).
7 Capital work he does in the theatre (5-7).
10 In the matter of louts, sense new determination (12).
15 Ask a higher price for fish caught in swell (9).
17 A great blow to the Chinese (7).
18 River bird tucked into by a furtive fellow (7).
19 Only a seaman gets sea-ear (7).
20 Mail dispatched to a station in the wilds? (7).
22 Oriental cape turning up in a German place (5).

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The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 17,496 will appear next Saturday

WEATHER

Most of Scotland and Northern Ireland will start cloudy with rain, heavy at times, with some drier interludes. Rain will move very slowly south-east, perhaps reaching parts of north-west England and Wales by midnight. Brighter, showery weather already in north west Scotland will follow slowly. Most of England and Wales will stay dry with sunny spells, though there will be fog patches in places during the morning, which will start to re-form by midnight. Outlook: starting unsettled, with showers or longer spells of rain tomorrow, most places dry with sunny spells on Wednesday.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t, thunder.

		C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	24	75	Majorca	s	29	84
Akrotiri	f	25	77	Malaga	c	21	70
Alex'dria	c	25	77	Malta	f	25	77
Algiers	c	33	91	Melb'rne	f	19	66
Amst'dm	s	13	55	Mexico C*	s	21	70
Athens	s	22	72	Miami*	c	28	82
Bahrain	s	32	90	Milan	c	16	61
Barbads*	f	30	86	Montreal*	s	10	50
Barcelna	f	22	72	Moscow	s	2	36
Belgrade	f	19	66	Munich	c	12	54
Berlin	c	8	46	Nairobi	f	28	82
Bermuda*	f	24	75	Naples	c	23	73
Biarritz	c	16	61	N Delhi	s	30	86
Borde'x	r	13	55	N York*	f	18	64
Brussels	s	12	54	Nice	s	22	72
Budapst	f	12	54	Oslo	s	7	45
B Aires*	f	18	64	Paris	s	9	48
Cairo	c	25	77	Perth	s	22	72
Cape Tn	f	19	66	Prague	r	8	46
C'blanca	c	20	68	Reykjvik	r	4	39
Chicago*	c	6	43	Rhodes	s	24	75
				Rio de J	c	25	77
Cologne	s	11	52	Riyadh	s	34	93
C'phagn	f	10	50	Rome	f	24	75
Corfu	s	24	75	Salzburg	c	12	54
Dublin	c	11	52	S F'risco*	s	19	66
Dubrovnik	s	22	72	Santiago*	f	17	63
Faro	f	20	68	S Paulo*	c	25	77
Florence	s	21	70	Seoul	s	15	59
Frankfurt	s	10	50				
Funchal	r	17	63	St'kholm	c	6	43
Geneva	c	14	57	Strasb'rg	c	9	48
Gibraltar	c	20	68	Sydney	c	17	63
Helsinki	r	4	39	Tangier	c	23	73
Hong K	c	23	73	Tel aviv	f	23	73
Innsbrck	c	14	57	Tenerife	c	22	72
Istanbul	fg	17	63	Tokyo	c	17	63
Jeddah	s	31	88	Toronto*	r	8	46
Jo'burg*	f	24	75	Tunis	s	31	88
Karachi	s	31	88	Valencia	f	21	70
L Palmas	f	21	70	Vanc'ver*	c	11	52
Le Tquet	f	12	54	Venice	s	18	64
Lisbon	f	16	61	Vienna	c	11	52
Locarno	c	16	61	Warsaw	c	10	50
L Angels*	s	22	72	Wash'ton*	s	21	70
Luxembg	s	7	45	Wel'nton	c	17	63
Madrid	f	18	64	Zurich	c	16	61

* denotes Saturday's figures are latest available

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	F	
Scarboro	8.0	-	10	50	sunny
Bridlington	7.9	-	11	52	sunny
Cromer	8.8	-	13	55	sunny
Lowestoft	7.9	-	12	54	sunny
Clacton	9.0	-	12	54	sunny
Southend	8.1	-	12	54	sunny
Margate	*	-	14	57	sunny
Folkestone	7.4	-	13	55	sunny
Hastings	8.8	-	14	57	sunny
Eastbourne	8.0	-	13	55	sunny
Brighton	9.2	-	13	55	sunny
Worthing	8.7	-	13	55	sunny
Bognor R	8.1	-	14	57	sunny
Sandown	7.7	-	15	59	sunny
Bournemth	6.3	-	14	57	sunny
Poole	6.6	-	14	57	sunny
Swanage	6.7	-	14	57	sunny
Weymouth	8.0	-	15	59	sunny
Exmouth	7.6	-	13	55	sunny
Teignmouth	8.6	-	13	55	sunny
Torquay	8.6	-	14	57	sunny
Penzance	9.2	-	13	55	sunny
Jersey	9.0	-	14	57	sunny
Guernsey	5.2	-	15	59	bright
Newquay	8.5	-	14	57	sunny
Ilfracombe	*	-	14	57	sunny
Minehead	8.6	-	14	57	sunny
B'pool Airpt	7.9	.01	12	54	sunny
Morecambe	6.6	-	13	55	sunny
Douglas	*	-	12	54	cloudy
B'ham Airpt	7.4	-	12	54	sunny
Bristol (Ctrl)	6.3	-	13	55	bright
Carlisle	2.3	-	12	54	bright
London	7.4	-	15	59	sunny
Manchester	8.6	-	11	52	sunny
N'ctl-n-Tyne	2.2	-	11	52	bright
Nottingham	7.8	.02	11	52	sunny
Anglesey	5.7	-	12	54	sunny
Cardiff (Ctrl)	6.5	-	12	54	sunny
Colwyn Bay	7.9	-	13	55	sunny
Tenby	7.4	-	13	55	sunny
Aberdeen	1.7	-	10	50	cloudy
Aviemore	*	.01	10	50	shower
Edinburgh	3.8	-	12	54	bright
Glasgow	0.2	-	11	52	rain
Kinloss	1.4	-	13	55	cloudy
Lerwick	0.1	.13	10	50	shower
Stornoway	-	.39	10	50	rain
Tiree	-	.63	10	50	rain
Wick	-	.03	11	52	rain
Belfast	0.2	.01	11	52	cloudy

* Denotes figures not available

HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	3.34	7.1	3.50	7.1
Aberdeen	2.54	4.2	3.15	4.1
Avonmouth	9.04	12.5	9.22	12.3
Belfast	12.34	3.4	12.52	3.4
Cardiff	8.49	11.6	9.07	11.4
Devonport	7.30	5.4	7.48	5.2
Dover	12.25	6.5	12.41	6.5
Falmouth	7.00	5.2	7.18	5.0
Glasgow	2.22	4.8	2.44	4.7
Harwich	1.33	4.0	1.48	4.0
Holyhead	—	—	12.08	5.5
Hull	8.05	7.1	8.22	6.9
Ilfracombe	7.44	8.9	8.02	8.7
Leith	4.19	5.5	4.43	5.3
Liverpool	12.45	9.2	1.04	9.2
Lowestoft	11.30	2.5	11.40	2.4
Margate	1.33	4.8	1.44	4.9
Milford Haven	7.59	6.8	8.19	6.6
Newquay	6.50	6.8	7.10	6.7
Oban	7.23	4.0	7.34	3.8
Penzance	6.31	5.5	6.50	5.3
Portland	8.52	2.2	9.16	2.0
Portsmouth	1.07	4.5	1.25	4.6
Shoreham	12.43	6.1	1.00	6.1
Southampton	12.26	4.4	12.42	4.5
Swansea	8.02	9.4	8.22	9.1
Tees	5.22	5.3	5.40	5.3
W'ton-on-Nze	1.24	4.2	1.41	4.2

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.2808ft. Times are GMT

THE POUND

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.385	2.265
Austria Sch	21.80	20.70
Belgium Fr	64.85	61.65
Canada $	2.258	2.148
Denmark Kr	11.92	11.32
Finland Mkk	7.54	7.14
France Fr	10.34	9.84
Germany Dm	3.11	2.95
Greece Dr	239	224
Hong Kong $	13.40	12.70
Ireland Pt	1.18	1.10
Italy Lira	2235	2125
Japan Yen	248	238
Netherlands Gld	3.485	3.315
Norway Kr	11.43	10.83
Portugal Esc	244.50	232.50
South Africa Rd	4.15	3.45
Spain Pta	199	189
Sweden Kr	10.93	10.38
Switzerland Fr	2.57	2.44
USA $	1.73	1.65
Yugoslavia Dnr	1770	1520

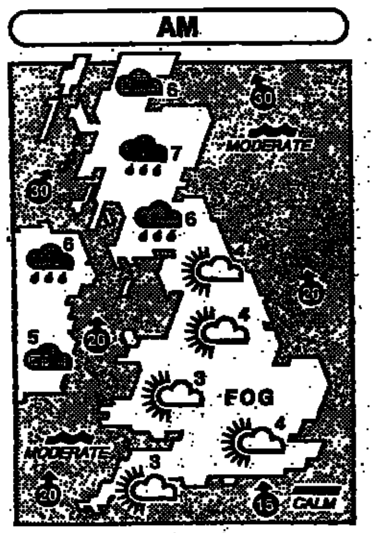
Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques.

Retail Price Index: 102.4 (September)

London: The *FT* index closed down 38.5 at 1396.8.

New York: The Dow Jones industrial average closed up 0.33 at 1950.76.

AM



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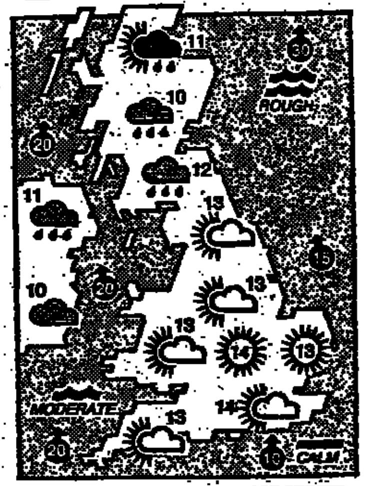

LIGHTING-UP TIME

London 5.16 pm to 6.14 am
Bristol 5.26 pm to 6.24 am
Edinburgh 5.17 pm to 6.38 am
Manchester 5.20 pm to 6.27 am
Penzance 5.41 pm to 6.33 am

LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 15C (59F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 5C (41F). Humidity: 6 pm, 73 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, nil. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 7.4hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1026.3 millibars, falling.

Saturday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 14C (57F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 6C (43F). Humidity: 6 pm, 60 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, nil. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 8.0hrs. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1025.8 millibars, rising.
1,000 millibars=29.53in.

YESTERDAY

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	c	9	48	Guernsey	s	13	55
B'rmgham	s	11	52	Inverness	f	13	55
Blackpool	s	11	52	Jersey	s	13	55
Bristol	f	11	52	London	s	13	55
Cardiff	f	8	46	M'nchster	s	10	50
Edinburgh	f	11	52	Newcastle	f	11	52
Glasgow	c	10	50	R'nldsway	f	12	54

Sun rises: 6.43 am
Sun sets: 4.46 pm
Moon rises: 11.50 am
Moon sets: 6.22 pm
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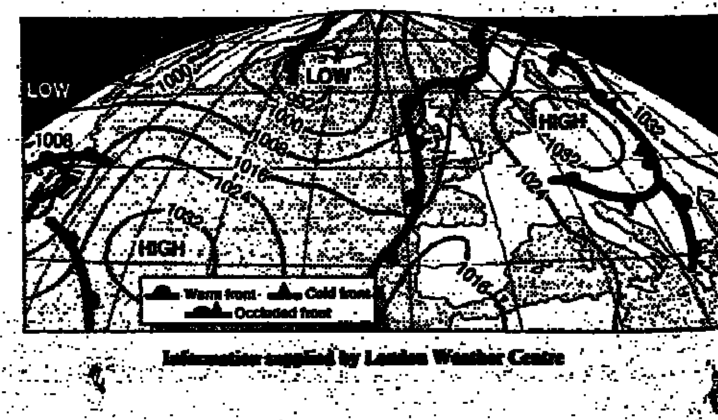
HIGHEST & LOWEST

Saturday: Highest day temp: Guernsey, 15C (59F); lowest day max: Eskdalemuir, Dumfries, 8C (46F); highest rainfall: Benbecula, Hebrides, 0.2in; highest sunshine: Penzance, Cornwall, 9.5hr.

NOON TODAY



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STOCK MARKET
(Change on week)

FT 30 Share
1396.8 (-416.1)

FT-SE 100
1795.2 (-506.7)

Bargains
74661 (34797)

USM (Datastream)
182.3 (-45.76)

THE POUND
(Change on week)

US dollar
1.6780 (+0.0135)

W German mark
3.0019 (+0.0050)

Trade-weighted
73.5 (same)

US NOTEBOOK

American dream ends with a crash

From Maxwell Newton
New York

The bond market has maintained its extraordinary rally as the expectation of a US recession gains wider acceptance. In the week to Friday, the 30-year US bond rose 13 per cent in value, substantially mitigating the overall loss in balanced portfolios.

Interest rates have plummeted. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note has fallen from 10.16 per cent to 8.70 per cent in the past week.

The bubble of unsustainable economic expansion in America has burst as the stock market has imposed its own great simplification. Stocks were judged to be too high because it was clear that America was living beyond its means, and that foreign central banks were no longer going to pay the price of supporting the dollar.

The collapse of interest rates has not undermined the dollar, because it is perceived that US consumption spending growth will go negative, and because the Administration and Congress are being terrified into spending cuts that were brushed off by sanguine politicians a month ago.

How desperate the situation had become was revealed in the third-quarter GNP figures on Friday. Real personal consumption spending rose at an annualized rate of 4.8 per cent, driven by a fantastic annualized 19.9 per cent rise in spending on durables (cars). Imports rose at an horrendous 16.5 per cent a year.

This was the dreamy world of self-deception and self-indulgence from which the stock market crash has jolted America.

Mr George Somkin, senior market analyst at New York's Evans and Co, a wily forecaster, said the stock market's bottom would be 1,730, Monday's low. Three powerful factors would support stocks: the sudden fall of interest rates, the reversal of inflation psychology, and the enormous unprecedented buy-back of stock by corporate America since the collapse.

Inflation hysteria has been hit hard by the crash and also by the evidence that commodity prices have stabilized. Additional support has come from the September rise of a mere 0.2 per cent in consumer prices, and the low 2.4 per cent annual growth rate of the implicit GNP deflator in the September quarter.

As the pandemonium in the stock market wanes, fears for the dollar will return. The Bundesbank and the Bank of Japan have only moderated in a very tiny way their new commitment to monetary restriction and higher interest rates.

If another bad trade number for the US is announced in mid-November, bonds may be hit again — dragging stocks once again into the mire. More bad trade figures are certainly possible, although a reversal of over-importing (particularly of oil) may bring a "pleasant surprise".

But during 1988, the perception of America in the world financial markets may begin to change. Tough times at home will oblige many US manufacturers to "export or die". Imports will be cut as a result of fading consumption spending, something that has been evident in the non-automobile retail sales numbers throughout this year.

The "imperial vision" of the US has been clouded over by the fog of fear. The Reaganites are being forced by uncomfortable economic realities into accepting there are limits on *Pax Americana*.

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Wall Street still nervous as the President meets Congressional leaders

Reagan to face budget test

From Bailey Morris, Washington

President Reagan has agreed to meet top Congressional officials at the White House today, providing the first political test of Washington's resolve to reduce the huge US budget deficit.

The negotiations are scheduled to begin 30 minutes after the opening bell on Wall Street, which is anxiously monitoring the talks for signs of substantive economic reform.

The stock market is expected to experience another round of hectic trading as the investment community assesses last week's record collapse. A report that the largest US options clearing-house required a massive infusion of capital last week to avert a collapse sparked rumours of widespread insolvency. By late today, after a weekend in which firms sorted through a mountain of computer records, brokers will know whether there is a liquidity problem.

Mr John Phelan, chairman of the New York Stock Exchange, said yesterday that exchange officials would know by midweek whether any "systemic damage has been done". He noted that today and tomorrow are the key "settlement days" for the record 600 million share transactions that occurred on two days last week.

Prior to the White House meeting, Mr Reagan's top advisers indicated that the President would propose a freeze on domestic and military spending at current levels. "We intend to put a concrete proposal on the table," said a White House official. The President's proposal to reduce the deficit by $23 billion (£13.6 billion) would avoid tax increases by advancing a spending freeze in addition to a variety of revenue increases in the form of user fees and asset sales.

But Congressional officials, still sceptical over Mr Reagan's commitment to the talks, said a freeze would be unacceptable. An aide to Mr James Wright, Speaker of the House of Representatives, said it would have an adverse impact on programmes for the poor and elderly, which are currently exempted from further cuts.

In addition, a freeze would not achieve reductions greater than the $23 billion already underway as Congress continues work on the updated, Gramm-Rudman-Hollings balanced budget law, the aide said.

There will be automatic, across-the-board spending reductions of $23 billion on November 20, unless Congress and the Administration agree on a different set of priorities to achieve the same level of cuts. The White House is anxious to avoid this automatic sequestration for fear that it will be seen as a symbol of lack of leadership.

Congressional officials said yesterday that they would prefer these automatic cuts rather than a freeze, which would allow the administration to orchestrate lower reductions in military spending.

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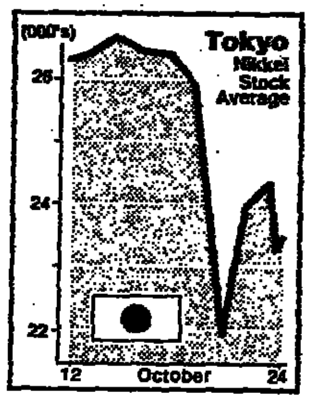
Taking stock: John Phelan, New York exchange chairman

Tokyo's waiting game



Tokyo stock prices recovered somewhat in Saturday's half-session but the market is still gripped by nervousness.

Market sources said the minor recovery managed in New York on Friday accounted for much of the 97.57 rise in the Nikkei Average, and it appears unlikely that there will be much independent action in Tokyo until New York reopens.

Several dealers, however, have indicated they feel there is still strength in the Tokyo exchange.

Buyers move back into unit trusts

By Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

Fearless private investors are buying into the stock market in large numbers despite the violent fluctuations and falling prices around the world.

Unit trusts report that whereas frightened investors were seeking to unload their holdings four day ago, more were now increasing their unit trust investments.

Mr Roger Jennings, marketing manager of M&G Securities, said: "On Tuesday we were net buyers of about 2 million units from investors, but by Thursday we were net sellers of about 2 million." The buying began in a small way on Wednesday and has been gathering pace.

Mr David Whitney, operations manager for the recently launched Royal unit trusts, said: "A few investors panicked, but most are now looking for a cheap buy."

The bullishness of small investors has surprised many fund managers. Private investors appear to have decided that shares have now sunk to bargain levels and are worth buying. Some fund managers recalled much the same happening during the stock market collapse of 1984.

The optimism of private investors comes as relief to unit trusts which are now under less pressure than they were four days ago to sell off shares to finance repurchases of units from worried unit holders.

While avoiding giving any strong investment advice to their clients, most fund managers have been telling people to hold on until the market situation settles down and it becomes clearer which way share prices will move.

British funds are the most popular investment for people keen to buy units, while the international funds — particularly those specializing in the US and Japan — are unpopular.

Mr Jennings said: "People rightly perceive that the UK economy is fundamentally in better condition than the US economy and yet shares have fallen as much in London as in New York. That suggests that UK stocks are undervalued." Gold funds are also proving popular, fund managers said.

Unit trusts are still finding it impossible to keep up with market movements in valuing their funds. Although a few have had to suspend dealings in their units, most are now willing to deal but will not give a price until the next valuation has been obtained.

HK futures chiefs stand down

From Stephen Leather
Hong Kong

The chairman of the Hong Kong Futures Exchange, Dr Kim Cham, and the vice chairman, Mr Ronald Li, have resigned as part of the HK$2 billion rescue package for the Hong Kong futures markets.

A futures exchange spokesman said last night the package was necessary because there was "concern of possible defaults in contract settlement and the possibility that the normal operations of the Hang Seng Index futures market may become seriously affected or curtailed."

The stock and futures exchanges re-open today after a four-day suspension.

The new chairman will be Mr Wilfred Newton, head of the Mass Transit Railway Corporation.

Out: vice chairman Li

Base rates likely to decline again if shares slip further

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

Base rates in Britain are likely to fall again if stock markets continue to slide. The surprise cut from 10 to 9½ per cent on Friday signalled an important shift of emphasis by the Treasury.

Fears of a slowdown in the economy and world recession have taken over from earlier worries about inflation and overheating. The further stock markets fall, the greater the risks of a world recession, and the more central banks, including the Bank of England, will try to compensate by easing policy.

Already, growth in the world economy is forecast to slide to a weak 1.5 per cent next year, because of the impact of the "crash of 1987" on consumer spending and investment, notably in the US.

Before the crash, the City was worried about the impact of higher public spending and sizeable tax cuts next March on Britain's already buoyant economy. Now such action is likely to be welcomed as an effort to try and stave off recession.

Financial markets will open today in a highly nervous and vulnerable state, even though shares in London steadied on Friday afternoon, Wall Street was unchanged on the day and Tokyo prices recovered.

There are worries about losses in the Hong Kong market, which reopens today after being shut for four days last week. Observers believe the effect will be to concentrate four days' losses into a few hours' trading.

There are also deep concerns about the outlook for the dollar, which dipped alarmingly before the weekend. It is weighed down by the $150 billion (£90 billion) US current account deficit. And there is a "catch 22" about action to reduce the US federal budget deficit. Such action might help solve the problem, but it would hit US economic growth and damage the Republicans' chances in next year's presidential election.

Falling dollar under scrutiny

The dollar is likely to be the focus of attention when the financial markets open today, after last week's unprecedented stock market volatility.

There are no major economic statistics which could influence the markets, but moves in international interest rates and the progress of negotiations between Congress and the White House on the budget deficit will come under close scrutiny.

Equity markets steadied before the weekend, but the dollar fell sharply, losing four pfennigs against the mark and pushing sterling up by three cents.

The dollar fell below DM1.78, just above the level which the currency markets think is the dollar's low point under the Group of Seven's agreement to stabilize its value.

The lack of central bank support for the dollar during during its sharp pre-weekend fall gave credence to the view that the leading countries are willing to let the dollar move lower.

But the US Treasury said that the US remained committed to the Louvre accord.

However, dealers believe that the dollar has still to be properly tested.

The prevalent fear is that when the foreign exchange markets assess the state of play after the dust has settled, they will decide that there is even less reason for dollar stabiliy around current levels than there was before.

Inquiry launched into AE defence

By Alison Eadie

The Department of Trade and Industry is conducting an inquiry into the defence campaign waged last year by AE against the £250 million takeover bid by Turner & Newall. The inquiry is being made under Section 447 of the 1985 Companies Act.

The information came to light in the Trustee Savings Bank's offer document for Hill Samuel, whose merchant bank acted for AE in the takeover battle.

The DTI said yesterday that it could not comment on Section 447 inquiries. Such inquiries were not announced, nor were the findings published, to try to avoid potential damage to the companies involved. DTI officials conduct about 100 such investigations a year.

Section 447 inquiries are cheaper and quicker than Section 432 or 442 inquiries, which involve the appointment of outside inspectors and can take years to conclude.

Hill Samuel was last year censured by the Takeover Panel for failing to disclose share dealings which enabled AE to escape by a whisker being taken over by T&N.

The panel also censured AE and Cazenove, its stockbroker, and it gave T&N leave to re-bid immediately. T&N succeeded in taking over AE last December.

The panel's censure centred on the purchase of 7.2 million shares by institutions friendly to AE, including the Midland Bank and Hill Samuel Investment Management, which were covered by indemnities against loss from Hill Samuel.

T&N argued that the share purchases, masterminded by Hill Samuel, were enough to tip the bid against it. The panel agreed and held that takeover rules had been broken.

T&N has subsequently issued writs against Hill Samuel and Cazenove for the costs of making the second bid.

The DTI said yesterday that Section 447 inquiries were made in circumstances which suggested either fraud, misfeasance, misconduct or conduct detrimental to shareholders. The criteria are the same as in a Section 432 inquiry.

Last February Mr Paul Channon, then DTI Secretary, told Parliament that there was insufficient evidence to warrant an inquiry into the AE defence under the Companies Act.

BP's 'flop' sale to go ahead

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

The Treasury is insisting that the BP share sale will close on Wednesday at 10am and that the world financial institutions who have underwritten the offer and who face losses of up to £800 million will have to earn their commission.

Unless the BP share price stages a remarkable recovery and moves above the 308p mark at which its is still good value for small investors who are prepared to hold the shares for three years and collect loyalty bonuses, the sale will be the biggest flop in flotation history.

Despite suggestions from some sectors of the financial community that the closing date could be extended beyond Wednesday morning there has been no concerted campaign to persuade the Treasury to pull the issue.

A spokeman for the Government's financial advisesr said yesterday that there have been no applications from any of the British or overseas institutions who have underwritten the offer to make any changes to the sell-off schedule.

However, the concern of the Treasury now is that those institutions who stand to have to pay out in settlement on Friday will have to sell other shares on the market this week to obtain funds, which will keep the stock market generally depressed.

In fact, a large number of potential investors have returned their priority application forms prepared to pay the 330p offer price. Many may have sent in their applications before the price started plummeting.

The Treasury, which is adamant that the BP schedule will remain unchanged, has made no decision as to how it will deal with those people who have submitted share applications, but who attempt to stop their cheques after seeing the BP price fall.

Electricity boards to fix price rises

The 12 area electricity boards in England and Wales will decide this week how much to increase prices to customers to meet new Government financial targets.

The extra revenue the Government wants, and the rate of return the industry will be required to make, will be decided next month.

But the boards are understood to have been told of the scale of price rises needed. Figures circulating in the industry suggest they will have to find an extra 25 per cent of revenue over the next three years.

USM REVIEW

Junior lives for another battle

By Carol Leonard

Last week's carnage on the London stock market was an indiscrimate affair which took its toll of the share prices of big and small companies alike.

The *Unlisted Securities Market* was not spared in the bloodbath that rocked Throgmorton Street to its foundations. But by Friday night dealers were expressing quiet satisfaction with the junior market's performance which will survive to fight another day.

Many of its critics were originally predicting that the USM would be torn to pieces in the first sustained bear market. The USM has proved it is made of sterner stuff.

Miss Marian MacBryde, one of the USM team at Hoare Govett, the broker, says "It was a fascinating week to watch. Full of dramatic moves."

In fact, the USM managed to put up more of a resistance to the markdown than the main market. By Friday lunchtime, the overall fall in the USM was 18.3 per cent. That compared with a drop in the FT All Share index of 19.9 per cent.

Miss MacBryde says that sharp movements on the USM usually lag 24 hours behind the big board. So on Monday, when the All Share index fell 10 per cent the loss on the junior market was restricted to 8 per cent. The following day there was a degree of catching up when the fall on the USM was almost 12 per cent, while the senior market saw its loss restricted to 11.4 per cent. On Thursday, it tried to recover but was dragged lower by the rest of the market.

"There was some degree of across-the-board marking down," says Miss MacBryde. But most of the institutions have taken a long-term view of the USM.

Last week's shakeout has also had the effect of blowing away some of the froth that had built up around certain special situations. It now looks as though a period of underperformance is in store for the USM over the short term. But over the longer term Miss MacBryde expects it to go better and become more resilient.

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Although a number of issues that were heading for the USM have been pulled because of last week's events, quite afew have decided to press ahead.

Tubular Exhibition Group, which supplies crowd control barriers, is coming to market via a placing. Jacobson Townsley, the broker, is placing 20 million shares at 20p.

Also taking its bow soon is Sykes-Picavant, maker of hand tools. Albert E Sharp, the broker, is arranging a placing of shares.

Over on the Third Market, Chelsea Artisans, Europe's largest independent specialist developer, and manufacturer of mirror products, which also instals them, should be a bright spot when it unveils its first set of interim results since its flotation last May.

Having made a full-year profit forecast of £195,000 in its prospectus, and turnover forecast of £1.8 million, today's figures should show that it is more than on target. They are expected to significantly exceed market expectations of £75,000 — with the second half of the year traditionally being busier.

This half-time profit figure will compare with just £9,000 made during the same period last year.

Support for the company's shares was so strong last week that despite the traumas elsewhere in the stock market, they ended the week at 178p, just 5p down on the week, and still comfortably ahead of the 110p at which they were originally placed.

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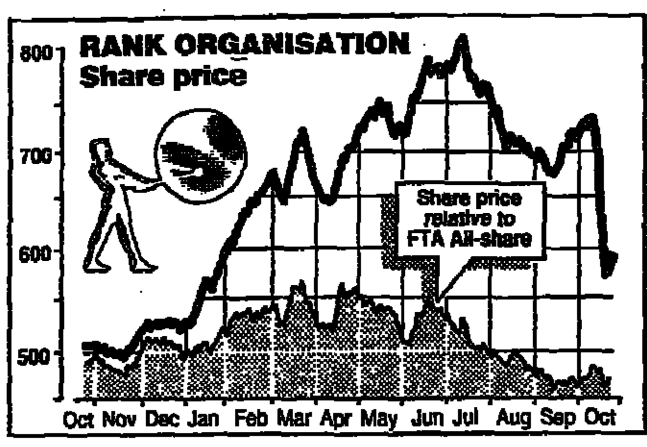
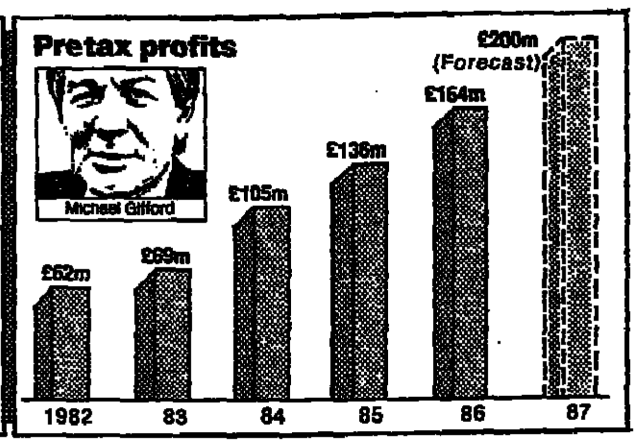
ANALYSIS

All-round entertainer Ranks high





In 1982, the year before Mr Michael Gifford became chief executive of Rank Organisation, every division was making a loss except its Rank Xerox associate.

Four years later, the entire business had been restructured and its growth prospects transformed. The first two *years were spent disposing of* three-fifths of its £500 million in assets. At one stage, Mr Gifford recalls, "we were doing a transaction every three-and-a-half working days."

The proceeds of the disposals were reinvested in the activities Rank had decided to keep — *holidays* and recreation (39 per cent of 1986 trading profits excluding associates), film and television services (15 per cent), hotels and catering (14 per cent), and precision industries (17 per cent). *These businesses now* generate half the group's profits — its Rank Xerox associate still generates the other half — and this year, the group is heading for pretax profits of more than £200 million.

Rank now claims to be the biggest operator of holidays in Britain, and perhaps one of the most spectacular turnarounds in Rank's resurrection has been at the Butlins centres, where Mr Gifford was *struck not only by how much* people seemed to enjoy their holidays but also the extent of customer loyalty. More than 40 per cent of guests had visited a Butlins in the previous two years.

"*Most of the complaints* were about accommodation, on which very little money had been spent over the years," Mr Gifford says. "We had to get a sustained competitive advantage instead of being a music-hall joke and it *took* us a year to figure out what to do."

After experimentation and market research to discover how much guests would pay for better accommodation, Rank decided to close its most *run-down Butlins at Clacton*, Essex, Filey, North Yorkshire and Barry, South Glamorgan, and initiated a £170 million five-year programme to upgrade the other five.

The winter before last, it spent £12 million on the centre at Minehead, Somerset, some *on improved* accommodation and some on new facilities, the biggest of which was a "Waterworld."

"At the cost of £1,000 a bed, we got something spectacular," Mr Gifford said. "We built a 70-table snooker room, four bars, each capable of *taking* 1,500 *people*, and a live stage bigger than the Palladium."

In calculating the returns from the investment, Rank assumed it would not attract any more customers but that they would pay more — 35 per cent *more* for *improved* accommodation and 15 per cent for unimproved. Says Mr Gifford ruefully: "We underpriced it. We were booked solid and demand was so strong we lost 60,000 incoming calls in the first week."

Such was the success of Minehead that Rank spent £45 million last year at Skegness, Lincolnshire, Bognor in Sussex and Minehead and this winter it will spend *£40 million* at Ayr in Scotland. The next step is to have Butlins centres that are open all year round. Says Mr Gifford: "When Bognor opens next spring, we won't ever shut it."

Bingo is *another money-spinner* for Rank. With its 91 bingo clubs out of a total of 1,200 countrywide, Top Rank is the market leader in a highly-fragmented business. Mr Gifford concedes that admissions are declining but says turnover has been rising at three times the rate of inflation.

"Our members are playing bingo less frequently but they are spending much more," he says. "*Three times* as many people play bingo as go to the *cinema* and they spend three times as much on a visit. But only 30 per cent of our bingo profits actually comes from bingo. We make most money from the AWP (*amusement* with profit, or 'fruit') machines, followed by food and drink."

Cinema audiences, on the other hand, are rising, and Rank remains Britain's biggest independent film distributor and the second biggest cinema screen operator (after Cannon) with 200 screens. The company also boasts the largest and most modern video duplication plant in Europe at Phoenix Park, Bedford.

Hotels and catering is also an important profit source to the group. *In addition to its* seven motorway service *stations* and six hotels in Britain, it has a growing hotel management contract business in the United States.

Mr *Gifford's* plans centre around the new concept of the *multi-function leisure centre*, the first of which has been *announced* in Romford, Essex. It is being built in association with a new shopping centre and will comprise an eight-screen cinema, bingo hall, disco, bars and restaurants in a single complex to cost about £7 *million*.

The leisure centre concept appeals to local planning authorities and developers use them to give "planning gain" to shopping centres that might *otherwise not receive* planning approval. Rank's competitive advantage is that it is the only group which can operate all the facilities a leisure centre can offer.

The group is looking at a potential project in the Midlands which would devote 23 acres purely to leisure. *If* it goes ahead, it will comprise a waterworld with a capacity of 2,000, an eight-screen cinema, outdoor and indoor bowls, a dry ski run, a disco to hold 1,800 people, bars and restaurants.

"The competition only wants to do part of it," says Mr Gifford. "Rank is the only group which does all these things."

Carol Ferguson

Polished performance

It is the biggest buyer of barrelled beer in the free trade. *Counting the Butlins* centres, hotels and caravan parks, it has the biggest bed capacity in Britain. It serves more than 200 million meals a year; is the biggest bingo club operator in Britain; and has the second-*largest number of cinema* screens in Britain.

***In the past four years, the* Rank Organisation has been taken by the scruff of the neck and pushed into the forefront of the fast-growing leisure industry. Profits have risen 2.5 times, earnings per share 3.4 times and dividends 2.25 times. Investors have seen the *value of their shareholdings* multiply eight times.**

That is, until this week, when Rank lost a third of its market value and the shares slumped from their high of 826p to 553p. The prospective *earnings multiple has fallen to* just 10.3, a rating which looks derisory in the context of a burgeoning leisure industry, which Rank dominates.

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Bonds facing more storms

Striking with a suddenness and a ferocity that paralleled the meteorological storm in South-east England 10 days ago, a financial whirlwind wrought havoc in the *international* securities markets during the last *few sessions*.

The TV weathermen were *scorned when, defending the* integrity of their prognostications, they claimed they had foreseen breezy conditions. The market seers did not even bother to mount a defence of their analyses. A *handful had sensed the* approach of softness, and one or two *pointed an accusatory* finger at the US, but nowhere had the extent of the devastation been even remotely anticipated.

Both sets of forecasters tried to work out what had happened. The climatologists did a lot better than the economists. The *former* could build convincing *models* of deepening cyclones: the latter could only talk pathetically of cataclysmic changes in sentiment.

If there is a clue to what *happened* in the *financial* markets, it lies (as usual) in monetary considerations. One explanation argues that the key influence was the progressive tightening of US monetary policy. Initiated by *Mr Paul Volcker at the US* Federal Reserve Board early in 1987, to stabilize the dollar, it was continued in an attempt to contain inflationary pressures and to improve the trade accounts. The *published monetary* aggregates (not particularly reliable statistics) indicated annualized growth of 12 per cent or more at the beginning of the year, but less than 6 per cent by the autumn.

This did not hit the US securities markets very severely as *they were being fed* with funds from other countries. Because Japan and Britain were operating rather expansive money policies, investors in each country had the capacity to buy substantial *quantities of* New York's offerings; and because these investors entertained rosy perceptions of America's economic development they translated their capacity into action. The Japanese made *$100* billion of bond purchases, while the British spent $25 billion on equities. The bottom line was a stable dollar and a rising (albeit overvalued) level of security values.

It all changed, though, when the foreigners stopped *shipping* "*financial food* parcels" to the US, and thereby exposed the New York markets to the domestic money squeeze. The precise influences that brought perceptions of America down to earth can only be guessed at; perhaps the September trade *returns* were relevant; possibly it was Mr James Baker's ill-considered remarks on the Louvre accord; more likely than not, the gung ho attitude of Congressmen in the face of mounting tension in the Gulf was *important*. *Our guess is* that the exact psychological changes were irrelevant: the change was waiting to happen, and was looking for a justification.

As soon as it began, the competitive forces operating among the (mostly undercapitalized) market-makers ensured the adjustment to price levels was very large. No one *had the funds to take* a punt, so each market-maker slashed *prices aggressively* in an attempt to run away from a *potential* sell order. For a while, the weakness in New York did not infect the rest of the world. In Tokyo and London, this may have been a consequence of the beneficial effects of reduced capital outflows. Later, the *herd-like instinct of investors and market-makers proved* overwhelming, and both centres joined enthusiastically in the bloodbath.

Early in the debacle, bonds were emasculating themselves along with equities. Before long though, the fixed-interest sectors struck out on *an independent line*, and recently have been roaring ahead. In part this may have reflected a perverse price action (the bond market-makers were caught short), but more fundamentally it *was a consequence of the* "wealth effect".

When an individual's assets appreciate, he feels (not surprisingly) better off and is likely to be more willing to borrow. Because the total *amount of credit* available within the system is set by money supply considerations, the individual's heightened predisposition to borrow affects only the mechanism by which the *fixed total is rationed* amongst the contenders: the interest rate rises.

Conversely, when assets depreciate the desire to borrow evaporates and the interest rate falls. This happened last week and drove, initially short-dated bonds, *and subsequently longer maturities*, into a bull phase. The process gathered momentum when investors began to appreciate that the politicians were pressuring the central bankers to provide *additional* comfort for the markets. The implication of an *increase* in money supply carried an implication of extra declines in interest rates, and extra advances for bonds.

A *straightforward* bullish prognosis for the immediate future, it sows the seeds of its own destruction in the medium term. Bonds in general, and gilts in particular, have been *falling in value for the last* eight months because economic activity has been too high. A policy prescription that maintains, or even emphasizes, that excess expansion is bound to end in tears.

That, however, is what *looks* set to happen. The Americans, with their election next year, are not going to want to deflate, and their allies are going to be pressured to keep things going as well. The implication is that the market-makers' red pencils will be out again in the *fairly near future*, and *will not* be put away until the world goes decisively into slower growth. Spring next year looks the earliest possible date for the start of a genuine bull phase, but it may well be *delayed until the autumn*.

Roger Nightingale
Hoare Govett

Soaring wine sales show switch to red

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

British wine *sales this year* are likely to be substantially ahead of last year's, and the main growth in table wines has switched to red wines as the popularity of white wines has shown signs of waning.

The forecast that wine sales overall could rise between 6.5 and 7 per cent *in 1987* — against last year's increase of 5.7 per cent — was made yesterday by Mr Nick Gent, chairman of the Wine and Spirit Association, as the trade built up its stocks for Christmas, the peak sales period. He expects table wine sales to be up almost 7 per cent.

Earlier this year there had been *some disappointing* trade returns but June figures, just available, show a 6.4 per cent rise over the same period last year. Table wines were up 6.4 per cent.

Mr Gent said: "While table wine sales *overall* are showing these rises white wines have *slipped back*, a *trend* clearly established last year. Red wines have taken up the running, which could be one reflection of the way in which drinkers have been learning to be more selective about wines."

One result of the switch into red wines is *that* West Germany's share of the wine market in Britain is *dropping*, although it still accounts for rather more than a quarter of table wine sales.

Italian wines, accounting for about 10 per cent of the market, have also been losing market *share*. *This is despite* the continued popularity of sparkling wines, of which Italy is the second largest producer.

In June, sparkling wines, including champagnes, were showing volume growth of about 10 per cent compared with the same time last year. *The increase in champagnes* was just under 10 per cent.

But the French market share is up and now stands close to 40 per cent, a development fueled by heavy promotion of French wines in Britain. Spanish wines have also been improving their market *share, which now* stands at about 8 per cent.

But while port sales are running at 1 per cent up, *sherries are still struggling to* grow, Mr Gent said. What may be affecting sherry sales is the expansion of table wine drinking, and the competition from newer drinks, such as the cream-based liqueurs.

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Gatt faces crucial role in drive to avoid recession

By Colin Narbrough

The critical role of trade in keeping the world economy running has become all the more important after the jarring brake applied to confidence last week by the global stock market crash.

Attention will now focus on ways of containing the effects of the share price slide to avoid triggering a big recession.

Freeing trade flows is one path that will be pursued, despite strong protectionist sentiment in the US, and the work of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade looks set to move closer to centre-stage. By coincidence the Geneva-based organization is this week celebrating its 40th anniversary.

Mr Arthur Dunkel, the Gatt director-general, points out in an anniversary message that the idea of a multilateral set of rules on trade ties and policies was only made a reality after the great depression of the 1930s and the Second World War.

The next Gatt council is expected to include an assessment of the latest stock market developments when it meets early next month.

The organization's first 25 years were remarkable for the speed at which tariffs and quantitative barriers to trade were dismantled, contributing to the fastest average growth this century for the world economy and trade.

After the slower progress seen in recent years, Gatt's 95 member countries now invest a great deal of hope in the new round of trade liberalization negotiations — the so-called Uruguay Round launched last year at a ministerial conference in Punta del Este.

Mr Dunkel cautions against expecting too much from Gatt. He says: "Gatt can be regarded as providing the highway rules for world trade. Traffic will only flow freely if drivers not only agree on rules of the road, but actually obey them."

The essence of its rules are non-discrimination, trade liberalization and the use of tariffs rather than quotas. From a modest 23 founder members Gatt has grown to encompass countries that together account for nearly 90 per cent of world trade.

But all is not well, the director-general notes, and in the past 15 years the organization has been unable to sustain its post-war successes.

"Many aspects of the world economy have gone awry: debt, exchange rate movements, major trade and budgetary imbalances, commodity and fuel prices, slower growth and growing resistance to industrial change have all conspired in one way or another to hamper the pace of liberalization and growth."

In helping cope with change, Gatt recognizes that the trading world of today is very different from that of the 1940s.

The Uruguay Round will go much deeper than the previous seven Gatt rounds, including trade and agriculture, the previously exempted textile and clothing sectors, and trade in services.

CBI call for tax boost to industry

By David Smith
Economics Correspondent

The Confederation of British Industry, in its technical representations on the Budget, published today, calls for tax changes to promote investment.

In a submission to the Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, the CBI identifies 50 problem tax areas in which it believes British industry is operating at a disadvantage compared with overseas competitors.

The CBI says that for international trading companies, the following changes should be implemented:

- They should be able to pool foreign taxes from all sources and set them against the aggregate British tax on these sources, including Advanced Corporation Tax.
- The Government should renegotiate double taxation agreements to provide for relief for foreign tax on payments from abroad on technical and advisory services.
- The underlying tax on premerger profits should be available for relief when, after the merger, those profits are paid by dividend to a British parent company.
- Funds injected into a US subsidiary as a capital contribution should be regarded as part of the cost of the shares in issue for British capital gains purposes.

The CBI's emphasis on these points reflects the sharp rise in takeovers of US companies by British firms.

More generally, the CBI says that tax relief should be available on the incidental costs of raising finance, including equity capital.

The report identifies 11 VAT issues, including the "unwarranted and costly burden" of having to provide guarantees against deferred payment of VAT on imports.

The CBI also says that where complex tax changes are planned, the Government should issue draft legislation. It "deplores in the strongest possible terms" retrospective taxation, saying that this was again a feature of the 1987 Finance Bill.

The report says that there should be a separate Technical Taxation Bill, distinct from the Budget, to encompass complicated technical changes in taxation.

The CBI's Technical Budget Representations, price £5.00.

ECONOMIC VIEW

Where does UK fiscal policy go from here?

In just a week the world looks a bewilderingly different place to economic policy-makers. Slump has replaced inflation as the chief bogeyman, interest rates which were going up are coming down and the savage fall in equity prices has badly shaken confidence in the smooth operation of financial markets.

What does all this mean for economic policy in the UK? Part of the answer was visible on Friday with the cut in base rates, half reversing the Chancellor's preventive 1 per cent rise in August. A week earlier, despite the strength of the pound against its DM3 "ceiling" a cut in rates would have been inconceivable in the context of bank lending figures showing a monthly increase of £4.6 billion. Now the rate cut is judged necessary to shore up business confidence and offset at least some of the contractionary effect of the slump in share prices.

The second part of the answer will not be fully revealed until Budget Day when the Chancellor, Nigel Lawson, fixes his fiscal policy for the coming year. Should he reflate the economy through the budget deficit to offset the decline in confidence? Or should he, as his predecessor did in 1981, react to market uncertainties with a stern reduction in borrowing as many argued last week?

British forecasters, like others round the world, are now busy redoing their sums on the likely outlook for next year. There is general agreement that the effect of changes in wealth on people's spending habits is less pronounced in this country than in the US because fewer people have personal shareholdings, despite the effect of privatization. But the effect is certainly there.

This so-called wealth effect works in two ways. Because people feel poorer they save more in order to rebuild their savings and therefore have less left for spending. At the same time investment suffers because the cost of capital is higher: yields from equities rise implying either slower profit growth or a bigger uncertainty discount.

According to Alan Budd of the London Business School the effect on consumption may start to be apparent in about a year's time. Assuming the fall in share prices stabilizes at about 20 per cent it could reduce growth in consumer spending next year from 3.9 per cent to 3.7 per cent and the year after from 4.3 per cent to 3.9 per cent — a cut of 0.6 per cent in two years.

The effect on investment is more uncertain because less is known about the precise way in which investment decisions are taken. Professor Budd's guess is that total fixed investment might now grow by 6.3 per cent next year rather than 7 per cent and by 3.1 per cent in 1989 rather than 3.7 per cent.

At the same time lower growth overseas is likely to curb exports.

Lower consumer spending, investment and exports will lead to lower economic growth which, though some of the effect may be offset by lower interest rates, will lead to a bigger budget deficit. The LBS estimates that as a result of the slowdown the public sector borrowing requirement could be about £750 million higher than it would otherwise have been next year and perhaps £1 billion higher in the following year. The Government may also find it more difficult to hit its £5 billion target for privatization proceeds, which would raise the PSBR.

Last week's half-point cut in interest rates suggests that the Chancellor accepts that he now needs to loosen policy somewhat in response to the tightening achieved by the markets. But it also suggests, by only half reversing the interest rate rise of August, that any relaxation will be cautious.

A reasonable response might be to allow the automatic stabilizers in the economy — that is the rise in state borrowing as growth slows — to do their work and accept an increase of up to £1 billion in the PSBR.

Mr Lawson has a good deal of flexibility in the way he can present this. Because revenue is very buoyant public sector borrowing in the current year is turning out well below the £4 billion target, and may possibly disappear altogether.

Even with some increase in public spending he can probably still keep the PSBR below the 1 per cent of GDP pencilled into the medium-term financial strategy if he wants. And if the market mood by the time of the Budget dictates caution it would be a simple matter to present the deficit in a conservative light by giving a pessimistic forecast of the outturn for the current year which could then suggest no rise in the borrowing requirement for next year.

A further sharp reduction on the lines of 1981 would be inappropriate because borrowing is now at a much lower level than it was then and that 1 per cent of GDP has, according to the Chancellor in his last budget, reached the right long-term level. The 1 per cent rate, however, will require a gradual further tightening as privatization proceeds, which help to reduce the PSBR, run out.

Much may change between now and the Budget — and on recent experience almost certainly will. But while last week's events argue in the general direction of a higher PSBR than otherwise, fiscal stimulus beyond what will occur anyway as a result of slower growth looks both unlikely and undesirable. That should still leave some scope for tax cuts.

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Economics Editor

Sterling crisis forecast

By David Smith
Economics Correspondent

Britain's credit boom will lead to a sterling crisis in the next few months, forcing a sharp rise in base rates, according to a new forecast from Shearson Lehman, the securities house, published today.

The clear implication of the forecast, prepared by Mr Tim Congdon and Mr Peter Warburton, is that last Friday's half-point cut in base rates was a mistake, and that the Chancellor will be forced into raising rates over the winter.

The growth in bank lending needs to be halved from its present £4 billion a month, if inflation is not to rise above 10 per cent within the next two years, the forecast says.

There is also a sharp worsening of the balance of payments in prospect, with a deficit of nearly £5 billion forecast for next year.

The report says that Britain's present rate of growth of 4 per cent will continue over the next few months.

But then, unless capital inflows continue, it will be pulled up by a sterling crisis, forcing base rates up to 12 per cent.

This is "the logical result of the abandonment of monetarism in mid-1985," the forecast says.

Shearson Lehman predicted a sharp rise in inflation this year, along with rapid economic growth. Mr Congdon admitted that the forecast was right on growth but wrong on inflation.

New look for Comet

By Derek Harris
Industrial Editor

Comet, bought by Woolworth as a discount electrical warehouse chain, opened the first of a new generation of stores aimed at increasing sales volumes and profit margins at the weekend.

The new look, styled by Fitch and Company, one Britain's top retail shop designers, was unveiled in Lincoln and is aimed at making Comet outlets "bigger, brighter and more exciting," according to Mr Eddie Styring, Comet's managing director.

Mr Styring was recruited a year ago from Dixons which, with its Currys subsidiary, is clear market leader in electrical retailing.

An existing store has been re-designed at Lincoln but the first completely purpose-built Comet in the new style is due to open at Watford next month. Three more will open by the year end; at Potters Bar and Swiss Cottage in the London area and at Coventry.

If trading results are up to expectations the new look will progressively be brought in throughout the chain which recently reached the 200 mark, with another 100 outlets planned by 1990. There will be 40 openings next year, increasing the thrust into the South-east.

The new-style stores, at about 4,000 square feet of selling space, will be twice the size of typical electrical retail outlets, Mr Styring says. He expects turnover in the new stores to increase by 10 per cent.

His aim is to move from Comet's 7 per cent share of the market to 10 per cent within about three years. Dixons and Currys between them are estimated to have about 18 per cent market share, with electricity boards together with co-operative retail societies accounting for about 16 per cent and Rumbelows the next largest after Comet. Independents still account for about 22 per cent.

Comet profits stand at 6 per cent of sales but Mr Styring said: "We are a good second on profits percentage at present but now we would like to be the best." That means beating Dixons, implying an increase of several percentage points.

Comet is putting more emphasis on leading brands, with a much stronger part being played by names such as Aiwa, Sony, Fisher, Philips, Ferguson, JVC and Pioneer. Toshiba's full range of microwave ovens is the latest recruit. At the same time Comet has launched its own range of electrical goods.

Stephen Daniels

Eddie Styring: aiming for 10 per cent of market share

British firms' investment in US soars

By Edward Townsend
Industrial Correspondent

British companies are continuing to invest in the United States at record levels. Spending in the first eight months, mostly on acquisitions, totalled almost $20 billion (£12 billion).

Sir James Cleminson, chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board, said: "This represents more than a quarter of the UK's entire investments in the US, which hadreached about $75 billion by the end of 1986."

He expected the level of acquisitions and other investments to remain buoyant, in spite of the stock market collapses. "There is no real underlying weakness in the American industrial scene," he said.

He rejected the criticism that the outflow of capital to the US was starving British industry of investment funds. "I have seen no sign that what we spend in the US is in any way inhibiting investing in the UK. These moves strengthen our position in America and, in the longer term, provide a good insurance policy in the form of dividends flowing back to this country.

"Ninety-seven of *Fortune* magazine's top 100 companies in the US have a plant in the UK, and I am equally delighted to see that. It creates a healthy trade volume between the two countries."

Britain's exports to the US increased by nearly 6 per cent in the first half of this year, twice the rate of exports to the US by other Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development countries.

Sir James added: "It is right that we should try to export to the more difficult markets of the world, but if we are going to make a serious impact on our balance of payments the main effort has to be in the European Community and the US.

In the US, he said, the main concern was about the danger of protectionism and subsequent retaliation. "It can only lead to a reduction in world trade, and that is a far bigger danger than problems on the stock markets."

Meanwhile, Jaguar, the car manufacturer, said at the Motorfair exhibition in London that its sales to the US were continuing to break records, and that it would reach its target of 25,000 sales this year.

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Still in the fast lane

At the age of 82, Isidore Kerman, erstwhile chairman and still a director of GRA, the greyhound stadium and property group, could be forgiven for finally deciding to retire. But far from it. Kerman, who speaks for 5 per cent of the enlarged group, tells me that, following the merger of GRA with Wembley Stadium — to be approved at an EGM in two weeks — he expects to be working harder than ever. Having handed over the chairmanship to Brian Wolfson, he tells me: "He is a real whiz-kid, and I don't think the company will be quite so relaxed anymore. He is going to develop it like mad, and while I will continue to look after its greyhound interests, I suspect he will make me work quite hard." Kerman and Wolfson will be meeting today to discuss exactly how the business will be developed. Meanwhile, until the EGM, GRA's shares remain suspended at 150p. "We were quite fortunate in having the shares suspended, given the stock market last week," Kerman says. An inveterate wit to those who know him well, Kerman still runs his West End law firm, Forsyte Kerman, named after the solicitor in *The Forsyte Saga* — "A very popular book when I started the practice 61 years ago, and I thought it sounded much better than plain Isidore Kerman" — and continues as chairman of Scott's, the up-market restaurant group incorporating Sheekey's and Royal favourite Mirabelle.

Noble sentiments

Unfortunate investors forced to sell at the end of last week's account, and now faced with the prospect of selling their home to raise sufficient capital to cover their debts, are being offered a lifeline. Financial services group Noble Warren is offering a remortgage facility for those who need instant cash (within 48 hours), at 3 per cent above base on between 70 and 95 per cent of the property's value, or alternatively a remortgage loan at 11.5 per cent for those who can hold out for up to six weeks. Noble Warren says banks will usually lend money against a remortgage offer within 72 hours — making the second, cheaper, alternative a possibility for most. "We are fulfilling a real and humane need for highly-geared investors otherwise facing the ignominy of having to sell their homes," director Simon Brewer says.

Dummy run

After Sid, here comes Euro Sid. Shareholders in British Gas, who have seen the value of their shares buffeted by stock market forces, may not be amused to learn that Euro Sid is also a dummy — the European Side Impact Dummy to be exact, used in the Road Research Laboratories for testing vehicle safety. According to *The New Scientist*, "The dummy sits in the car during the crash and instruments attached to its limbs measure the force and extent of any impact." Sitting in the car wired up to a Topic screen during the stock market crash is also recommended for Sid. While he is there, he cannot also be jumping off the top of the NatWest Tower.

"I had a *great* weekend — the stock market was closed"

● And to think Mark Twain saw it coming all those years ago. In his novel *Pudd'nhead Wilson* he wrote: "October, this is one of the peculiarly dangerous months to speculate in stocks. The others are July, January, September, April, November, May, March, June, December, August and February."

The bite of bark

Tony Barnes, the chief executive of fully quoted Combined Lease Finance, and the man who supplies the City's yuppies with their leased Porsches, Jaguars and Mercedes, certainly ought to know what makes the Square Mile tick. And after four days last week spent cutting his way through uprooted mature trees, and out of his West Sussex home, he thinks he has a cure for the roller-coasting share indexes of late. "They should send all the market-makers out to chop up trees — the stock market would be better off without them and we'd certainly all be wealthier," he says. Barnes, who lost 50 trees in his garden and dozens more in his adjoining 3½ acres of woodland, has even had to chop up a rare, 90ft high, weeping beech — one of only 12 or so in Britain. "I've discovered muscles I didn't know I had," says Barnes, now leaner and fitter. Without electricity, he and his family have been living solely on barbecued food. "It sounds very romantic, but the novelty begins to wear off after a while."

● Light has perhaps been cast on the unexplained choice of the year 1993 for the CBI's "Plant a tree for '93" campaign — reported in *City Diary* last week — and an unfortunate precedent has been revealed. One reader with a long memory believes the scheme to be a crib of an old Tree Council campaign, "Plant a tree in '73." It was a disastrous failure, and was succeeded by "Plant one more for '74."

Carol Leonard

Thames Water

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF RESULTS FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1987

	6 months to 30th September		12 months to 31st March	
	1987 £M	1986 £M	*1988 £M	1987 £M
Turnover	285.6	270.9	583.4	549.5
Trading Profit	108.3	102.4	222.3	212.7
Interest	(6.5)	(13.3)	(12.5)	(22.3)
Profit after interest	101.8	89.1	209.8	190.4

NOTES

1. *This unaudited statement has been prepared under the same accounting policies used in the statutory accounts for the 12 months ended on 31st March, 1987.*
2. *Trading profit is stated after charging depreciation on the basis of historical costs.*
3. *Thames Water is not liable for corporation tax.*

4.* *The 12 months figures to 31st March 1988 are forecasts based on expectations in October 1987.*

STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN, ROY WATTS, C.B.E.

Commenting on the results, Roy Watts, Chairman of Thames Water Authority said "Our continued drive for efficiency, whilst still maintaining high standards of service to customers, has resulted in the first half year's profit target being exceeded. Prospects for the second half year are equally as encouraging.

The present buoyant cash position will continue throughout the remainder of the year. All capital expenditure will be financed internally, with an additional £100m available for early debt repayment.

We are increasingly selling our wide experience of Integrated River Basin Management overseas to provide future profits for our customers."

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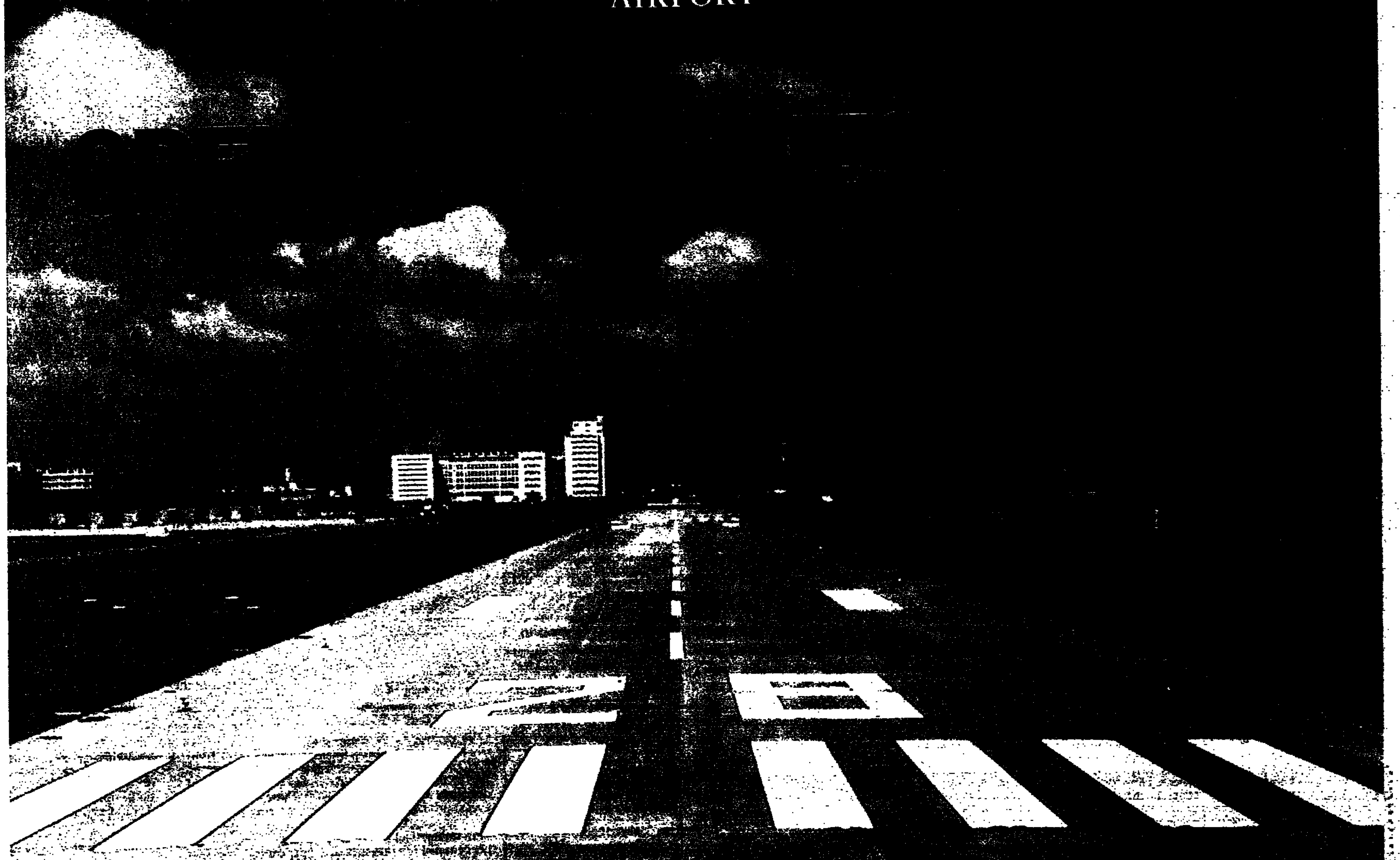
LONDON CITY AIRPORT



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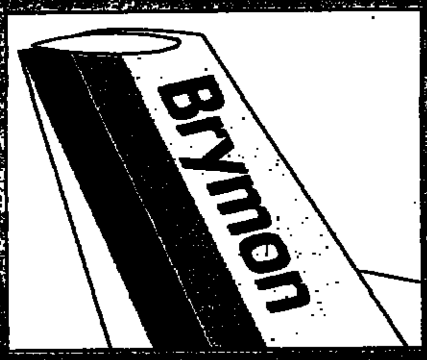

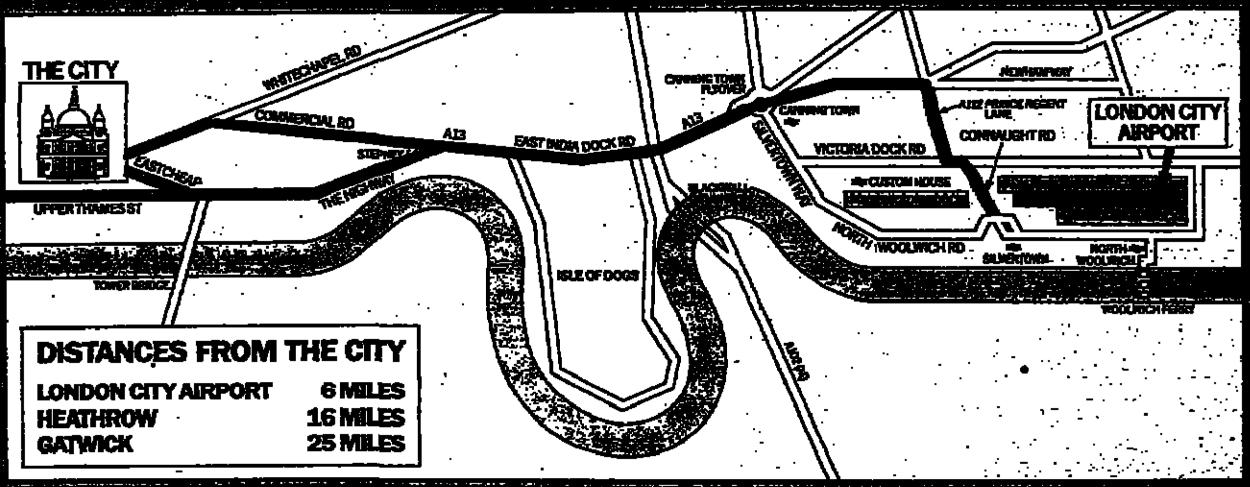

DISTANCES FROM THE CITY

LONDON CITY AIRPORT	6 MILES
HEATHROW	16 MILES
GATWICK	25 MILES

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Store openings at highest for decade

By Derek Harris Industrial Editor

The big five supermarket chains — J. Sainsbury, Tesco, Dee Corporation, Argyll and Asda — now control 52 per cent of grocery sales in Britain, as the rate of openings of new-style superstores goes up.

For the first time there are signs of a tailing off in shop closures, following a 36 per cent decline in numbers in the past 10 years. The number of outlets may even increase during the year.

This picture emerges from the latest annual survey of food retailing by the Institute of Grocery Distribution, the retail researcher, which found that the level of new store openings last year — 192 — was the highest this decade.

There are now 457 superstores in Britain, an increase of 25 in the year, net of closures, although the current annual average is 31.

Since 1980 only about half the new units were in out-of-town locations, although such sites are increasingly popular with developers because they most easily offer the single-level car parking area which has proved so crucial in attracting customers to such stores.

Tesco is at the top of the superstore league, with 124 open by last spring, followed by Asda (92), Dee (75), the Retail Co-operative Societies (62) and Sainsbury (51).

The turnover gains by the leading multiples are underlined in the survey, which reports that almost all of them secured a turnover increase of more than 50 per cent over the past five years.

Dee, Safeway and the John Lewis Partnership's Waitrose more than doubled their growth in the period, although Dee achieved this partly through acquisitions. Asda was up 92 per cent, Tesco by 81 per cent and Sainsbury by 61 per cent.

Spending on food, now put at £32 billion a year in real terms, allowing for inflation, increased by 3.1 per cent last year. Areas devoted to food in new multiple stores showed some increase last year, at 43.9 per cent.

Food Retailing 1987 (£160). Available for Institute of Grocery Distribution, Letchmore Heath, Watford, Herts WD2 8DQ.

UNLISTED SECURITIES

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FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Sterling index compared with 1975 was up at 73.5 (day's range 73.3-73.5).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Market rates for October 23

	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
New Yrk	1.6530-1.6785	1.6775-1.6785	0.40-0.38pr	0.93-0.89pr
Montrl	2.1737-2.1892	2.1862-2.1892	0.34-0.25pr	0.87-0.72pr
Amstrdm	3.3615-3.3691	3.3641-3.3686	1¼-1⅛pr	3⅝-3½pr
Brussels	62.25-62.73	62.58-62.73	20-15pr	50-40pr
Copnhgn	11.4460-11.5422	11.5186-11.5422	½pr-¼ds	¾pr-1¼ds
Dublin	1.1141-1.1186	1.1161-1.1171	13-18ds	25-35ds
Frankft	2.9876-2.9952	2.9876-2.9919	1⅜-1¼pr	4⅛-3⅞pr
Lisbon	235.72-238.48	237.50-238.48	38-89ds	151-242ds
Madrid	193.06-194.84	193.72-194.17	25-110ds	100-190ds
Milan	2152.21-2168.19	2163.56-2168.19	par-4ds	7-12ds
Oslo	10.9445-11.0372	11.0141-11.0372	3⅝-4⅜ds	10⅝-11⅜ds
Paris	9.9780-10.0150	9.9965-10.0150	1⅝-1⅜pr	3⅝-3pr
Stckhlm	10.5192-10.6058	10.5827-10.6058	⅝-⅜pr	1⅛-⅞pr
Tokyo	237.91-238.68	238.28-238.68	1⅛-1pr	3⅝-3pr
Vienna	21.00-21.07	21.04-21.07	9⅝-8⅝pr	26⅝-22⅞pr
Zurich	2.4767-2.4853	2.4794-2.4855	1½-1¼pr	3⅝-3⅜pr

Premium = pr. Discount = ds.

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	6.7859-6.8219
Australia dollar	2.3100-2.3134
Bahrain dinar	0.6220-0.6260
Brazil cruzado*	89.2860-89.7709
Cyprus pound	0.7800-0.7900
Finland markka	7.2025-7.2425
Greece drachma	229.25-231.25
Hong Kong dollar	12.9330-12.9344
India rupee	21.50-21.70
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4635-0.4675
Malaysia dollar	4.1618-4.1861
Mexico peso	26.50-27.00
New Zealand dollar	2.5461-2.5519
Saudi Arabia riyal	6.1850-6.2250
Singapore dollar	3.4538-3.4576
S Africa rand (fin)	5.6075-5.6150
S Africa rand (com)	3.3844-3.3985
U A E dirham	6.0575-6.0975

*Lloyds Bank. Rates supplied by Extel and Barclays Bank HOFEX

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.4825-1.4855	Denmark	6.9250-6.9300	Italy	1302.0-1303.0
Singapore	2.0850-2.0860	W Germany	1.8065-1.8072	Belgium (Com)	37.63-37.68
Malaysia	2.5245-2.5255	Switzerland	1.4862-1.4872	Hong Kong	7.8150-7.8160
Australia	0.7165-0.7170	Netherlands	2.0305-2.0315	Portugal	142.20-142.60
Canada	1.3140-1.3150	France	6.0350-6.0380	Spain	116.10-116.25
Sweden	6.3600-6.3650	Japan	143.80-143.90	Austria	12.63-12.65
Norway	6.6250-6.6300				

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

MONEY MARKETS

Base Rates %: Clearing Banks 9½ Finance Hse 10½
Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 10 Low 8 Week fixed: 9½
Treasury Bills (Discount %)
Buying: 2 mth – 9⅝ 3 mth – 9⅝
Selling: 2 mth – 9 3 mth – 9
Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)
1 mth: 9 17/32-9⅞ 2 mth: 9⅝-9 9/16 3 mth: 9 11/16-9⅜
6 mth 9 9/16-9⅜
Trade Bills (Discount %)
1 mth: 10 1/16 2 mth: 10 3 mth: 9 29/32
6 mth 9 9/32
Interbank (%) Overnight: open n/a close n/a
1 week: n/a 1 mth: 3 mth:
6 mth: 9 mth: 12 mth:
Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 day: n/a 7 day: 1 mth:
3 mth: 6 mth: 12 mth:
Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 mth: 10-9½ 2 mth: 10⅛-9⅝ 3 mth: 10 3/16-9⅞
6 mth: 10⅞-10⅜ 9 mth: 10 7/16-10 5/16 12 mth: 10⅝-10⅜
Sterling CDs (%)
1 mth: 9⅝-9½ 3 mth: 9 7/16-9 5/16 6 mth: 9 7/16-9 5/16
12 mth: 9 7/16-9 5/16

Dollar CDs (%)
1 mth: 7.15-7.10 3 mth: 7.55-7.50 6 mth: 7.80-7.55
12 mth: 8.10-8.05

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Currency	2 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth
Dollar:	6⅞-6⅝	7-6⅞	7 9/16-7 7/16	7⅞-7⅝
Call: 7⅛-6⅞				
Deutschmark:	3 11/16-3 9/16	3⅞-3⅝	4⅛-4⅛	4⅝-4⅜
Call: 4-3				
French Franc:	7⅞-7⅝	8 15/16-8 13/16	8 15/16-8 13/16	9⅝-9⅜
Call: 7⅜-6⅞				
Swiss Franc:	7⅞-7	3 9/16-3 7/16	4¼-4⅛	4¼-4⅛
Call: 1½-½				
Yen:	4 5/16-4 3/16	4⅜-4⅛	4⅜-4⅛	4 15/16-4 13/16
Call: 3⅛-2⅞				

TREASURY BILLS

Applicts: £800.3m	allotted: £100m
Bids: £97.74%	received: 62%
Last week: £97.56%	received: 90%
Avge rate: £9.0649%	last wk £9.7858%
Next week: £100m	replace £300m

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

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GOLD

BULLION:
Open: $472.00-472.50 Close: $472.25-473.25
High: $473.25-474.00 Low: $470.75-471.25

COINS: Per coin (*Ex VAT)
Britannia $486.00-491.00 (£290.50-293.50)
Krugerrand* $471.00-474.00 (£281.50-283.50)
Mapleleaf (1/1oz) $486.00-491.00 (£290.50-293.50)
American Eagles $486.00-491.00 (£290.50-293.50)
New Sovereigns* $111.00-112.00 (£66.25-67.00)
Old Sovereigns* $111.00-112.50 (£66.25-67.25)
Platinum $570.50 (£344.20)
Palladium $127.75 (£77.05)
Silver $7.53-7.55 (£4.500-4.515)

THIRD MARKET

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
13.2m	Abalecot	315	r -100	4.8	1.5	26.3
5,658,000	Aber Am Pet	38	-7			
4,423,000	Allied Ins*	140	-3	5.5	3.9	17.9
5,687,000	Americorp	50	-14	..	..	..
1,587,000	Andaman Res	78	-10	..	..	..
—	Broadcast	210	-85			
14.2m	Camotech	119	-82	1.9	1.6	11.4
11.5m	Catalyst	85	-18	..	..	28.2
3,418,000	Chelsea Art	178	-5	..	..	..
1,794,000	Chemex Intl	67	-26	..	..	..
1,850,000	Comac	125	-34	3.3	2.6	17.8
36.2m	Corgon Bch	105	-21	0.6	0.6	28.3
52.9m	Crown Eye	165	-55	..	..	50.0
290,000	Edinton	20	-8	..	..	..
—	Do Wrnts	13	-4	..	..	..
10.5m	Far E Res	106	-85	..	..	..
7,740,000	Gardner (J)	85	-20	..	..	..
10.1m	Honorbilt	41	-8	..	..	..
—	Kemp (PE)	72	..	..	..	..
42.5m	Leasing Lar	93	-28	..	..	..
2,938,000	Lynx Tech	40	-7	..	..	9.2
12.2m	Medrace	142	-37	..	..	..
8,753,000	Pub Hldgs	53	r -12	..	..	30.6
6,714,000	Seacon	105	-6	..	..	..
7,944,000	Theme Hldgs	57	● -23	1.4	2.5	28.8
6,650,000	UPL	165	-42	..	..	..
4,334,000	Unit Group	107	-21	6.3	5.9	6.0

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APPLICATION AND INSTALMENT ARRANGEMENTS

APPLICATIONS

Applications must be received by 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday, 28th October, 1987 (or before close of business on Tuesday, 27th October, 1987 if the form is taken by hand to any U.K. branch of National Westminster Bank PLC, Bank of Scotland or Ulster Bank Limited). Photocopies of application forms will not be accepted in any circumstances. The right is reserved to reject, in whole or in part, any application. Once made, applications may not be withdrawn.

ALLOCATION OF SHARES

The basis of allocation of the shares is expected to be announced on Friday, 30th October, 1987.

If you are successful, in whole or in part, you will be sent a temporary document of title (a letter of acceptance) for the shares allocated to you.

If there is heavy demand for the shares, you may receive fewer shares than you apply for or, in some cases, none at all.

If your application is not accepted or is *only accepted* in part, you will receive (without interest) all money paid on application or a refund cheque for the balance of the money paid on application.

DEALINGS

It is expected that dealings on The Stock Exchange will commence at 2.30 p.m. on Friday, 30th October, 1987. Letters of acceptance are expected to be sent to successful applicants on Monday, 9th November, 1987. Applicants who deal before receipt of a letter of acceptance will do so at their own risk.

You will not be liable for stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax on your application for shares. If you sell your shares, the purchaser will be liable to pay any stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax.

FURTHER INSTALMENTS

You will be sent reminders in advance of the dates when the second and final instalments become payable. At the time the reminder is sent for the second instalment (due by 30th August, 1988) you will also be sent an Interim Certificate to replace the letter of acceptance despatched following the Combined Offer. After you have paid your final instalment (due by 27th April, 1989) you will be sent your final share certificate. *If you do not pay any instalments for which you are liable, your right to the shares may be cancelled.* If you sell your shares, the purchaser will become liable for any further instalments due (once the transfer has been registered).

SHARE BONUS ARRANGEMENTS

INTRODUCTION

If you buy shares in the Offer for Sale and continue to hold them until close of business on 31st October, 1990, you may be eligible to receive from HM Treasury, free of charge, a share bonus of one additional share for every ten such shares. The share bonus is only available if you buy shares in the Offer for Sale and not if they are bought subsequently.

Existing shareholders and members of the BP Group Participating Share Scheme do not qualify for the share bonus in respect of shares applied for on red preferential application forms.

The maximum number of bonus shares you can receive is 150 shares. *Where shares are applied for jointly,* the maximum number of bonus shares will remain at 150 shares, even if more than one of the joint holders is eligible.

Copies of the full terms of the share bonus arrangements will be obtainable from National Westminster Bank PLC, Registrar's Department, P.O. Box 472, Consort House, The Lombard Centre, East Street, Bristol BS99 1NW until 30th June, 1989 and thereafter from the Company at BP House, Third Avenue, Harlow, Essex CM19 5AG.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for the share bonus, you must be an individual applying other than on a red preferential application form. Companies, partnerships, firms, trusts, associations and clubs are ineligible. In addition, your application must be made by you:

(a) solely for your own benefit, or for that of a child under 18 years of age if you are that child's parent, grandparent or guardian; or

(b) jointly, with up to three other individuals, solely for the benefit of one or more of you; or

(c) jointly with a nominee (who need not be an individual) solely for your own benefit; or

(d) jointly with a nominee (who need not be an individual) and up to two other individuals solely for the benefit of one or more of you other than the nominee.

DELIVERY OF THE BONUS SHARES

The bonus shares will be transferred to you (or, if you are a joint holder of your shares, to you and the other joint holders) as soon as reasonably practicable after 31st October, 1990 together with all rights attaching to those shares at that date. There will be no right to receive fractions of shares.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR RETURN OF THE PUBLIC APPLICATION FORM

SEND YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM BY POST (OR DELIVER IT BY HAND) TO ARRIVE NOT LATER THAN 10.00 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1987

at the appropriate address immediately below according to the first letter of your surname (or corporate name) inserted in Box 1.

A to Cg **Bank of Scotland,**
New Issues Department,
Apex House,
9 Haddington Place,
Edinburgh EH7 4AL
or, by hand only, to
38 Threadneedle Street,
London EC2.

Ch to F **Barclays Bank PLC,**
New Issues,
P.O. Box 123, Fleetway House,
25 Farringdon Street,
London EC4A 4HD.

G to J **Lloyds Bank Plc,**
Registrar's Department,
Issue Section,
P.O. Box 1000,
11 Bishopsgate,
London EC2N 3LB.

K to M **Midland Bank plc,**
Stock Exchange Services
Department,
Mariner House,
Pepys Street,
London EC3N 4DA.

N to Sj **National Westminster Bank PLC,**
New Issues Department,
P.O. Box 79,
2 Princes Street,
London EC2P 2BD.

Sk to Z **The Royal Bank of Scotland plc,**
Registrar's Department,
P.O. Box 190,
3-11 North St. Andrew Street,
Edinburgh EH2 1HL
or, by hand only, to
New Issues Department,
67 Lombard Street,
London EC3.

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OR TAKE THIS FORM BY HAND BEFORE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON TUESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 1987
to **any U.K. branch** *of National Westminster Bank PLC,*
Bank of Scotland, or Ulster Bank Limited
(in Northern Ireland).

Additional receiving centres are open for deliveries by hand until 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday, *28th October, 1987. These are set out on the back of the* application form in the mini prospectus and in the full prospectus.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Acceptance of applications will be conditional on (i) the new Ordinary Shares being admitted to the Official List of The Stock Exchange not later than 30th November, 1987 and (ii) the Offer for Sale Underwriting Agreement referred to in paragraph 7(a) of Section 10 of the Prospectus dated 15th October, 1987 containing the listing particulars in relation to the new Ordinary Shares ("the Prospectus") having become unconditional and not being terminated prior to such date as HM Treasury may determine, being not later than 30th November, 1987. Application moneys will be returned (without interest) if either of these conditions is not satisfied and, in the meantime, if presented for payment, will be kept on behalf of HM Treasury in a separate account. Rights are reserved for HM Treasury and its agents to present for payment and otherwise process all cheques and bankers' drafts received and to have full access to all information relating to, or deriving from, such cheques, bankers' drafts and the processing thereof. The right is also reserved to treat as valid any application not in all respects completed in accordance with the instructions accompanying the relevant application form.

2. Acceptance of an application by an eligible investor will, subject to paragraph 3(c) below, entitle that investor to the share bonus on the terms referred to in Section 11 of the Prospectus.

3. By completing and delivering an application form, you:

(a) offer to purchase from HM Treasury the number of Ordinary Shares specified in your application form (or such smaller number for which the application is accepted) on the terms of, and subject to the conditions set out in, the Prospectus and the Instalment Agreement (and, in due course, subject to the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company) and agree to become a party to and be bound by all relevant provisions of the Instalment Agreement;

(b) as a collateral contract between you and HM Treasury which will become binding on despatch to or receipt by a receiving bank of your application and in consideration of HM Treasury agreeing that it will not prior to 1st December, 1987 offer any of the Ordinary Shares to any person other than by means of one of the procedures referred to in the Prospectus:

(i) agree that your application cannot be revoked prior to 1st December, 1987; and

(ii) warrant that your remittance will be honoured on first presentation and agree that any letter of acceptance and any moneys returnable may be held pending clearance of your payment and will not bear interest;

(c) (i) warrant, if you write "yes" in Box 4 of a public application form or apply on a blue or green application form, that you are eligible for the share bonus (eligibility is explained under "Share bonus arrangements" in Section 11 *of* the Prospectus);

(ii) agree that, if you do not write "yes" in Box 4, you will not be entitled to the share bonus even if you might otherwise qualify;

(d) warrant that you are not a U.S. or Canadian person and you are not applying on behalf of any such person;

(e) agree that all applications, acceptances of applications and contracts resulting therefrom under the Offer for Sale shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of England and you submit to the jurisdiction of the English courts;

(f) warrant that:

(i) (if this application is made for your own benefit) no other application (other than any application you are entitled to make on a red application form) is being made for your benefit by you or by anyone applying as your agent (other than a discretionary Personal Equity Plan manager) or, so far as you are aware, by a discretionary Personal Equity Plan manager or by any other person; and

(ii) (if the *application is made by you as agent for, or for* the benefit of, another person) no other application (other than on a red application form) for the benefit of that person is being made by you or, so far as you are aware, by that person or by any other person;

(g) if you sign the application form as agent for someone else, warrant you have due authority to do so on behalf of that other person and undertake to enclose your power of attorney or a copy thereof certified by a solicitor, where this is required by the guide to completing the application form;

(h) agree that, in respect of those Ordinary Shares for which your application has been received and processed and is not rejected, acceptance of your application shall be constituted, at the election of HM Treasury, either (i) by notification to The Stock Exchange of the basis of allocation (in which case such *acceptance shall be on that basis) or (ii) by notification of* acceptance thereof to the relevant receiving bank;

(i) authorise the relevant receiving bank and the Custodian Bank to procure that your name (and the name(s) of any other joint applicant(s)) is placed on the register of holders of Interim Rights in respect of such Ordinary Shares the entitlement to which has not been effectively renounced and thereafter to procure that your name (and the name(s) of any joint applicant(s)) is placed on the register of members of the Company in respect of such Ordinary Shares the right to which has not been effectively transferred (references to rights being effectively renounced mean the renouncee(s) being registered by a receiving bank in relation to such rights);

(j) agree that all documents in connection with the Offer for Sale (including the share bonus arrangements) and/or any returned moneys will be sent at your risk and may be sent by post to you at your address (or, in the case of joint applicants, the address of the first person) as set out in the application form or such other address as may from time to time appear in the register of holders of Interim Rights or the register of members of the Company by your name or the name of such person;

(k) (i) agree that time of payment by you shall be of the essence of each contract constituted by acceptance of your application; (ii) undertake to pay the second and final instalments by, and (in the case of any payment of £10,000 or more) for value not later than, 3.00 p.m. on 30th August, 1988 and 3.00 p.m. on 27th April, 1989 respectively, for each Ordinary Share in respect of which your application is accepted, the right to which has not been effectively renounced or transferred in accordance with the Instalment Agreement by you prior to the relevant time and date; and (iii) agree that failure to make any payment when due will entitle HM Treasury to avoid the contract and re-sell the Ordinary Share to someone else, in which case you will be sent (subject to adjustment in the event of a capitalisation issue) a refund, *without* interest, equal to 120p or 225p per Ordinary Share resold (depending on whether the default is in payment of the second or final instalment respectively), whether or not the instalment(s) already paid for it exceed(s) that amount less any loss sustained by HM Treasury determined in accordance with the Instalment Agreement. No payment of less than £2 will, however, be made to you;

(l) agree that HM Treasury will allocate the new Ordinary Shares entirely in the Offer for Sale (and not in any other part of the Combined Offer) and that each successful applicant in the Offer for Sale will receive new Ordinary Shares and existing Ordinary Shares in the same proportions (or as nearly as may be practicable) as every other such applicant;

(m) agree that, without prejudice to any other rights to which you may be entitled, you will not be entitled to exercise any remedy of rescission for innocent misrepresentation at any time after acceptance of your application;

(n) confirm that, in making your application, you are not relying on any information or representation in relation to The British Petroleum Company p.l.c. or the Combined Offer other than information and representations contained in the Prospectus or in the mini prospectus published in connection with the Offer for Sale taken together with the Prospectus (the "prospectuses") and accordingly you agree that no person responsible for the prospectuses shall have any liability for any such information or representation other than as aforesaid;

(o) agree promptly on request to disclose in writing to HM Treasury any information which it may request in connection with your *application; and*

(p) agree that any letter of acceptance and application moneys in respect of any applicant suspected to be in breach of paragraph 3(f) may be held (without interest) pending investigation.

4. References in the application forms and guides to "shareholders" or "BP shareholders" include references to members of the BP Group Participating Share Scheme. Save as aforesaid and where the context otherwise requires, terms defined in the Prospectus bear the same meaning when used herein or in application forms.

No person receiving *this application* form in any territory other than the U.K., the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man may treat it as constituting an invitation or offer to him nor should he in any event use it, unless in the relevant territory such an *invitation and offer could* lawfully be made to him without compliance with any unfulfilled registration or other legal requirements. It is the responsibility *of* any person outside the U.K., the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man or subject to the *laws of any overseas* jurisdiction receiving this application form and wishing to make an application hereunder to satisfy himself as to full observance of the laws of the relevant territory and to pay any transfer or other taxes requiring to be paid in such territory in respect *of* the shares acquired by him under the Combined Offer.

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GUIDE TO COMPLETING THE PUBLIC APPLICATION FORM

ONLY ONE APPLICATION MAY BE MADE FOR THE BENEFIT OF ANY PERSON except for any other application you are entitled to make as a shareholder on a red preferential form or an application made for your benefit but without your knowledge by a discretionary Personal Equity Plan manager.

If you have received a personalised BLUE form, you should complete that form.

If you are already a shareholder you may also apply on the RED form sent to you.

Otherwise, please use the form below.

① **Put in Box 1 your full name and address (please use block capitals).**

Applications must not be made by anyone under 18, but a parent, grandparent or guardian of a child under 18 may apply for the benefit of that child. To do this, you should put your own name in Box 1, and after your surname write "A/C" followed by the full names of the child and the child's date of birth. This does not stop you from making a single application for your own benefit.

If you wish to apply jointly with another adult, see Note 7.

② **Put in Box 2 (in figures) the number of shares for which you are applying. You may only apply for one of the numbers of shares set out below. Applications for any other number of shares will be rejected.**

Number of shares you are applying for	Amount you pay now (120p per share)	Your total investment (330p per share)
80	£96	£264
100	£120	£330
200	£240	£660
300	£360	£990
400	£480	£1,320
500	£600	£1,650
600	£720	£1,980
700	£840	£2,310
800	£960	£2,640
900	£1,080	£2,970
1,000	£1,200	£3,300
1,500	£1,800	£4,950
2,000	£2,400	£6,600
2,500	£3,000	£8,250
3,000	£3,600	£9,900
3,500	£4,200	£11,550
4,000	£4,800	£13,200
4,500	£5,400	£14,850
5,000	£6,000	£16,500

Above 5,000 shares, applications must be in the following denominations:

Applications	*Multiples of*
5,000 to 10,000 shares	1,000 shares
10,000 to 50,000 shares	5,000 shares
50,000 to 100,000 shares	10,000 shares
over 100,000 shares	50,000 shares

③ **Using the middle column of the table above, put in Box 3 (in figures) the exact amount you pay now.**

Payment is in three instalments. The second instalment of 105p per share is payable by 3.00 p.m. on 30th August, 1988 and the final instalment of 105p per share by 3.00 p.m. on 27th April, 1989. A reminder about the second and final instalments will be sent to your registered address before they become due.

④ **If you wish to receive the share bonus and you are an eligible individual or applying on behalf of an eligible individual, write "Yes" in Box 4.**

If you write "No" in the box or do not complete it, you will not receive the share bonus.

If you are in any doubt about whether you are an eligible individual, you should read the details of the share bonus arrangements set out in the full prospectus or mini prospectus (including, if necessary, the arrangements for nominees' applications on behalf of others).

⑤ **Read the declaration in Box 5, then sign and date the form in Box 5.**

The application form may be signed by someone else on your behalf if he is duly authorised to do so. An agent must enclose the power of attorney appointing him (or a copy certified by a solicitor), unless he is a Selling Agent, Financial Intermediary or U.K. Clearing Bank (as referred to in Section 10 of the full prospectus) and states the capacity in which he signs.

A corporation must sign under the hand of a duly authorised official, whose representative capacity must be stated.

WARNING
Criminal proceedings may be instituted against anyone knowingly making or authorising more than one application for the benefit of any person except for any other application BP shareholders are entitled to make on red preferential forms.

⑥ **Pin to Box 6 a cheque or bankers' draft for the exact amount you have entered in Box 3. Your cheque or bankers' draft must be made payable to "BP Share Offer". Please ensure that it is crossed and write on it "Not Negotiable". A separate cheque or bankers' draft must accompany each application.**

No receipt for your payment will be issued.

Your cheque or bankers' draft must be drawn in sterling on an account at a bank branch in the U.K., the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man and must bear a U.K. bank sort code number in the top right hand corner.

If you do not have a cheque account, you can obtain a cheque from your building society or a bank branch, in which case you should write your full name(s) and address on the back of the cheque.

An application may be accompanied by a cheque drawn by someone other than the applicant(s), but any moneys returned will be sent by cheque crossed "Not Negotiable A/C Payee Only" in favour of the applicant(s).

⑦ **JOINT APPLICANTS**
You may apply jointly with up to three other people, provided each applicant is aged 18 or over. They should complete and sign Box 7.

They should read Note 5 and the declaration in Box 5 before signing this box.

PUBLIC APPLICATION FORM

To H M Treasury · National Westminster Bank PLC
N M Rothschild & Sons Limited · The British Petroleum Company p.l.c.

Before completing this form, please read carefully the guide above.

PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS

① Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms or title | Forename(s) (in full)
Surname
Address
Postcode

② I/We offer to purchase ______ Ordinary Shares
in BP on and subject to the Terms and Conditions set out in the Prospectus containing listing particulars dated 15th October, 1987

③ and I/we attach a cheque or bankers' draft for the amount now payable of £

④ I am/We are eligible and wish to receive the share bonus ☐
Please write "Yes" or "No" in the box

⑤ I declare that to my knowledge this is the only application made for my benefit (or that of the person(s) for whose benefit I am applying) except for any other application I am entitled to make as a shareholder on a red preferential form. I have read the warning in Note 5.
Date October, 1987 | Signature

⑥ ☐ ← Pin here your cheque/bankers' draft for the exact amount in Box 3, payable to "BP Share Offer" and crossed "Not Negotiable".

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1. Form no.
2. Acceptance no.
3. Shares accepted
4. Amount received £
5. Amount payable £
6. Amount returned £
7. Cheque no.
8. Multiple applications check

JOINT APPLICANTS

The first applicant should sign Box 5 and complete Box 1. Using BLOCK CAPITALS, insert below the names of the other joint applicants, who must sign in the right hand column.

I/We join in this application and give the declaration set out above.

⑦

Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms or title		Forename(s) (in full)	Surname	Signature
2nd joint applicant				
3rd joint applicant				
4th joint applicant				

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Those claiming commission or reallowance of commission should stamp both boxes applicable to them.

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MMC investigations cut to three months and shorter

Call for faster merger inquiries

By Colin Narbrough

The Government's determination to prevent Monopolies and Mergers Commission investigations from getting in the way of genuine competition could lead it to further shorten investigation times, below the new three-month norm set by the Department of Trade and Industry.

"If one wants the investigations to be a sharp tool, they need to be kept short," Mr Francis Maude, the Minister for Consumer and Corporate Affairs, said. All types of merger investigation could be compacted "below three months."

At the Conservative Party Conference at Blackpool this month, Lord Young, the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, said the MMC would be expected in future to conduct merger investigations in three months. Reports on newspaper tie-ups would be allowed only two months.

Mr Maude said a problem with long reporting times was that they were wrongly used as a defence against hostile bids, which had the effect of making the Office of Fair Trading and DTI reluctant to order a full MMC probe.

Changes in reference procedure, possibly involving changes in the law, were under consideration.

Lord Young's insistance on greater speed in merger control procedure has already made itself felt since he took office in June, and MMC investigation times have been cut to three to four months on average.

Current Government thinking is that the length of a monopolies investigation is no measure of its quality, and that the greater the time allowed, the more time investigators feel obliged to fill.

On the the MMC probe into British Airways' bid for British Caledonian, which Lord Young wanted completed in three months, Mr Maude said the report was on schedule for publication on November 5.

Maude: considering changes

Copper producers may face disaster

By Robert Matthews, Technology Correspondent

The recent breakthroughs in "superconducting" materials – which lose all their electric resistance when chilled with liquid nitrogen – could spell disaster for copper-producing countries, according to PaineWebber International, the stockbroker.

The ability of the new materials to conduct electricity far better than copper could lead to their extensive use in electronics, and such a situation "could shatter the economies of many Third World countries", according to Mr Bill Dixon, international telecommunications analyst for PWI.

Scientists around the world are currently trying to develop useful devices out of the new materials, discovered at IBM's Zurich laboratories last year by two researchers who recently won the Nobel Prize for physics for their work.

The brittleness of the materials, which are in the form of ceramics baked out of so-called "rare earth" compounds such as yttrium, is causing considerable problems for technologists, but already "superconducting" wires have been made.

If the superconductors replaced just a fifth of the copper used in all forms of conductors, the total demand for the metal could drop by 10 per cent, and the price fall by 20 per cent, according to PWI. This represents a £2.5 billion shortfall on the world copper market.

As well as having drastic effects on countries relying on their natural resources of the metal, international mining and refining companies could suffer badly.

Despite the excitement generated by the abilities of the new compounds, it is still unclear what areas of technology will benefit first from the breakthroughs.

PWI sees the heavy electrical and engineering applications, in such areas as power generation, as inelastic markets for the new materials, as there is a limit to the amount the industries can use.

However, the data processing and communications markets are seen as less constrained.

This augurs well for the new superconductor materials. A study prepared for the Department of Trade and Industry by Manchester University shows that the technical requirements of data processing applications are substantially easier to meet than those for the heavier applications.

Circle K plans store expansion

Circle K, which, with 130 outlets, claims to be the biggest convenience store operator in Britain, has set up two more regional area licences which will initially add another 60 stores to the chain.

Circle K's aim is to have 500 stores open by 1992. The area licensing approach is an alternative to franchising of outlets to secure fast growth.

Its first two area licences were in the West Midlands and the North-west. The new ones are for the East Midlands and the South-west.

A big step in Circle K's growth this year was its acquisition of the Sperrings convenience store chain, a pioneer in Britain of this new style of local shop

Mr Tony Sanderson, the Circle K managing director, said the four licensing deals have more than £10 million backing in venture capital and bank financing.

It plans to raise a further £20 million to fund additional developments in areas such as Yorkshire, the North East, Scotland, East Anglia, Wales and Northern Ireland.

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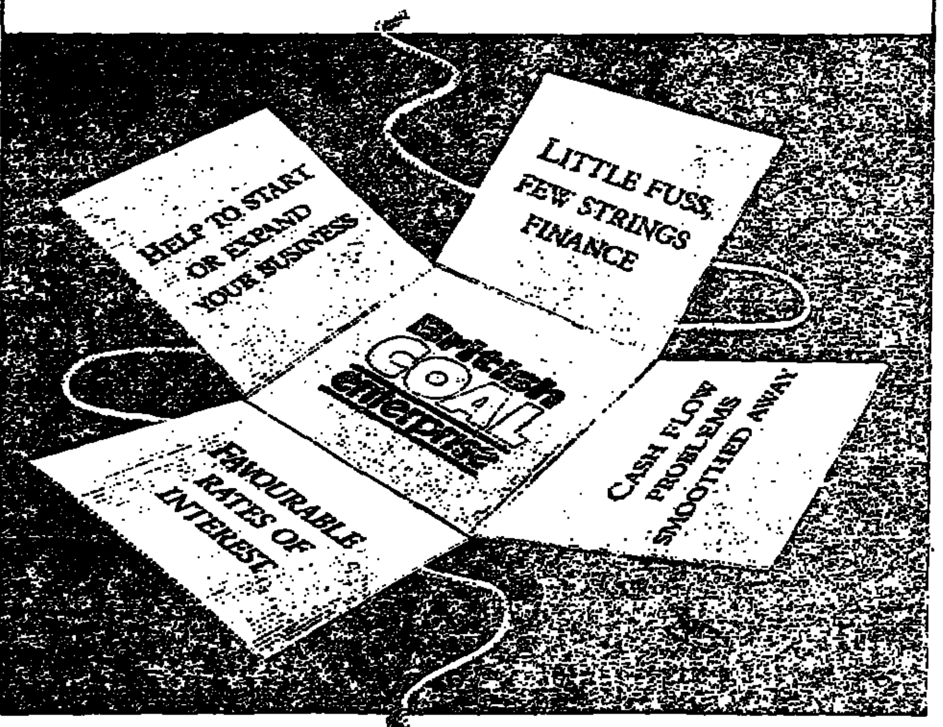
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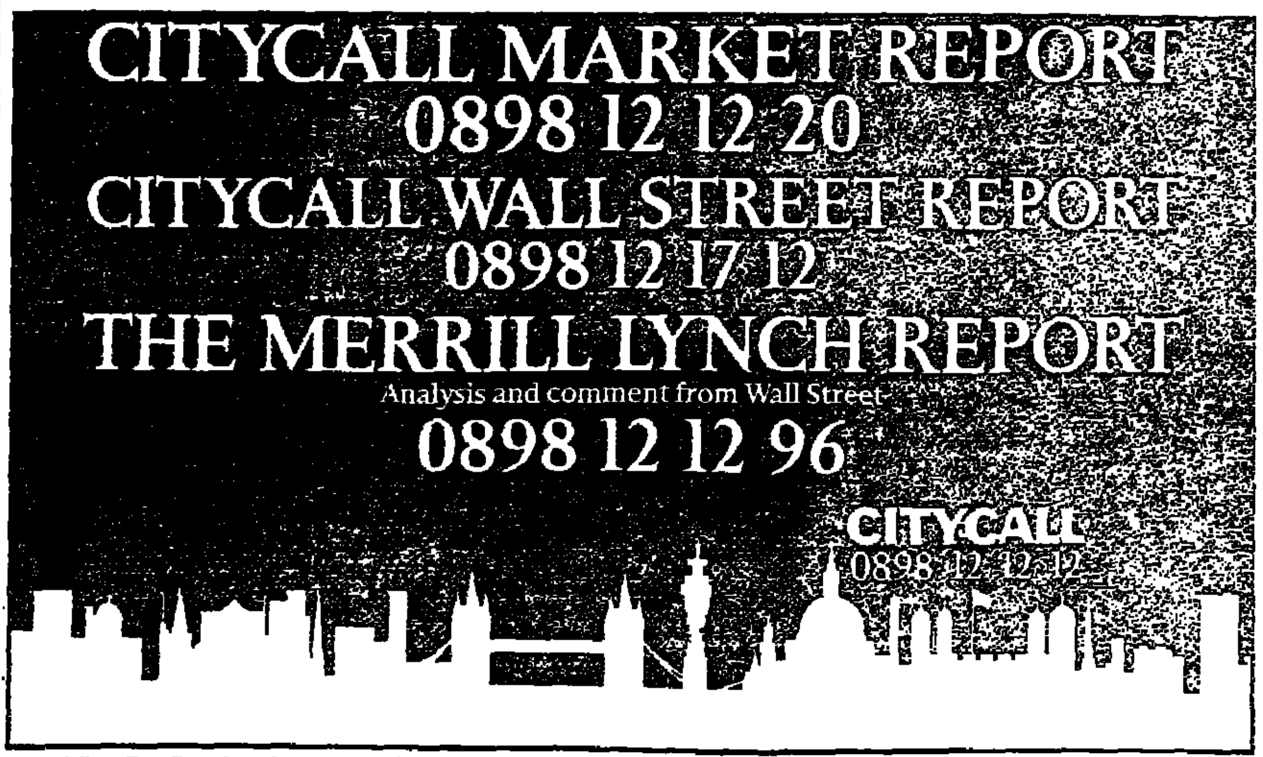

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The Bank of England announces that Her Majesty's Treasury has *created on 22nd October 1987, and has issued to the Bank, additional* amounts as indicated of each of the following Stocks:

£200 million 10 per cent TREASURY LOAN, 1993
£200 million 10 per cent CONVERSION STOCK, 1996
£100 million 9 per cent CONVERSION STOCK, 2000

The price paid by the Bank on issue was in each case the middle market price of the relevant Stock at 3.30 p.m. on 22nd October 1987 as *certified by the Government Broker.*

In addition, Her Majesty's Treasury has created on 22nd October 1987, *and has issued to the National Debt Commissioners for public funds* under their management, additional amounts as indicated of each of the following Stocks:

£150 million 11 per cent EXCHEQUER STOCK, 1991
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In each case, the amount issued on 22nd October 1987 represents a further tranche of the relevant Stock, ranking in all respects *pari passu with that Stock and subject to the terms and conditions applicable to* that Stock, and subject also to the provision contained in the final paragraph of this notice; the current provisions for Capital Gains Tax are described below.

Application has been made to the Council of The International Stock *Exchange for each further tranche of stock to be admitted to the Official* List.

Copies of the prospectuses for 10 per cent Treasury Loan, 1993 dated 7th February 1986, 10¼ per cent Exchequer Convertible Stock, 1989 dated 22nd November 1985 (which contained the terms of issue of 10 *per cent Conversion Stock, 1996) and 9 per cent Treasury Convertible* Stock, 1980 dated 6th March 1973 (which contained the terms of issue of 9 per cent Conversion Stock, 2000) may be obtained at the Bank of *England, New Issues, Watling Street, London, EC4M 9AA.* The Stocks are repayable at par, and interest is payable half-yearly, on the dates shown below.

Stock	*Redemption date*	*Interest payment dates*
10 per cent Treasury Loan, 1993	15th April 1993	15th April 15th October
10 per cent Conversion Stock, 1996	15th November 1996	15th May 15th November
9 per cent Conversion Stock, 2000	3rd March 2000	3rd March 3rd September

The further tranches of 10 per cent Treasury Loan, 1993 and 9 per cent Conversion Stock, 2000 will rank for a full six months' interest on the next interest payment date applicable to the relevant Stock. The further *tranche of 10 per cent Conversion Stock, 1996 has been issued on an* ex-dividend basis and will not rank for the interest payment due on 15th November 1987. Official dealings in the Stocks on The *International Stock Exchange are expected to commence on Friday,* 23rd October 1987.

10 per cent Treasury Loan, 1993, 10 per cent Conversion Stock, 1996 and 9 per cent Conversion Stock, 2000 are specified under paragraph 1 of Schedule 2 to the Capital Gains Tax Act 1979 as gilt-edged securities *(under current legislation exempt from tax on capital gains, irrespective* of the period for which the Stock is held).

Government statement
Attention is drawn to the statement issued by Her Majesty's Treasury on 29th May 1985 which explained that, in the interest of the orderly conduct of fiscal policy, neither Her Majesty's Government nor the Bank of England or their respective servants or agents undertake to *disclose tax changes decided on but not yet announced, even where* they may specifically affect the terms on which, or the conditions under which, these further tranches of stock are issued or sold by or on behalf *of the Government or the Bank; that no responsibility can therefore* be accepted for any omission to make such disclosure; and that such omission shall neither render any transaction liable to be set aside nor give rise to any claim for compensation.

BANK OF ENGLAND
LONDON

22nd October 1987

APPOINTMENTS

Five join board at Hill Samuel

Hill Samuel: **Mr Stephen Anlsebrook, Mr Christopher Baker, Mr Peter Bucks, Mr Roger Perrin** and **Mr Eric Stobart** join the board.

Newmont Mining Corporation: **Mr Thomas van Riper** becomes director, information systems.

University Medical & General: **Mr Doug Hollier** has been appointed *administration director.*

Inchcape: **Mr Stephen King** becomes director, group financial control.

Stephenson Cobbold: Mr Nicholas Cobbold has been appointed chairman and Mr Tim Stephenson managing director. **Mr Andrew Mackenzie** and **Mr David Bateson** are directors.

St George: **Mr Tony Carey** joins the board as land and sales director.

Peat Marwick McLintock: **Mr Eddie Oliver** becomes a *partner next February.*

Shippams: **Mr Stanley Young** has been appointed managing director, succeeding **Mr Jim Shippam** who becomes executive vice president, Europe.

Daniel J. Edelman: Mr **Christopher Barrass** joins the board as director, corporate division.

International Building Press: **Mr Paul Finch** has been appointed president and Mr ***David Helsen*** chairman.

Autotype International: Mr ***Graham Cooper*** becomes marketing director.

Oldham Crompton Batteries: **Mr Derek Nuttall** has been named finance director.

Institution of Electrical and Electronics Incorporated Engineers: **Mr Norman Penny** becomes chairman and Mr ***Brian Mott*** deputy chairman.

London European Airways: Mr **Andrew Gray** has been appointed chief executive.

Citicorp Insurance Brokers: Mr **Rod Carbery** becomes chairman and managing director, *UK* retail division.

Booker expands food distribution division

Booker has acquired Copeman-Ridley, a Norwich wholesale food distributor for its audited net worth, or £1.82 million, which ever is higher. Copeman-Ridley, with annual sales of more than £20 million, will be incorporated into Booker Wholesale Foods, part of Booker's food distribution division. BWF is the largest supplier of grocery and frozen food products to the independent retailer and convenience store sector.

Irish Glass issue

Irish Glass plans a one-for-one issue. It is paying a final dividend of 3p, making 4p for the 53 weeks to June 30, compared with 2.25p for the previous year. Pretax profit rose from Ir£1.07 million to Ir£1.31 million (£1.17 million) after an exceptional debit of Ir£443,000 (nil in 1985-86). Turnover slipped to Ir£32.26 million (Ir£32.67 million). Earnings per share were 12.13p (11.16p).

Dividend up

Bridport-Gundry is paying a final dividend of 5.1p, making 7p (6.25p) for the year to *July* 31. Turnover edged up to £37.93 *million* (£37.58 million), but pretax profit dropped to £2.24 million (£2.83 million). Earnings per share were 13.47*p* (19.13p).

EPIC outlook

Mr LCT Cottrell, chairman of Estates *Property Investment* Company, told the annual meeting that, in the belief that the present trading aberration is temporary and that the British economy *is soundly based*, he continues to be optimistic about the company's future. He said: "Based on professional opinion, albeit received before the recent collapse in world stock market prices, it is anticipated that a revaluation of our assets would produce a further substantial increase in our net asset value per share. Rental income continues to grow and further sales of properties to occupiers are in hand."

John Maunders

Mr John Maunders, in his annual statement as chairman of the John Maunders Group, says that further land acquisitions have been concluded and these, in addition to *developments recently started* in the luxury market yielding more attractive margins, should ensure another record trading year.

Invergordon offer

Invergordon Distillers has received 100 per cent irrevocable acceptances in respect of the *offer* to acquire the 62,000 ordinary shares in Isle of Jura Distillery which Invergordon does not already own.

BOARD MEETINGS

TODAY – ***Interims:*** Amercoeur Energy, Chelsea Artisans, Forward, Grand Central Investment Holdings, Securities Trust of Scotland, Shell Oil Co, Vanburgh Currency Fund, Underwood, Usher-Walker, Viking Resources Trust. **Finals:** Ensign Trust, International City Holdings, Lucas Industries, McKechnie.

TOMORROW – **Interims:** *Anglo American Coal Corporation, Toshiba Corporation.* **Finals:** Majedie Investments, Microfilm Reprographics, Portland Holdings, Pressac *Holdings, Really Useful* Group).

WEDNESDAY – **Interims:** Chesterfield Properties, Cundell Group, Elliott (B), El Oro Mining & Exploration Co, FR Group, Framlington Overseas Income and Growth Fund, Marks and Spencer, PCT Group, Rockware Group, Shiloh, Stormgard. **Finals:** Union Carbide Corporation.

THURSDAY – **Interims:** ICI, *PLM.* **Finals:** Brikat Group, Cooper (F), Japan Assets Trust, Smart (J) & Co (Contractors), Tysons (Contractors).

FRIDAY – **Interims:** Anglo Eastern Plantations, Central & Sheerwood, Clayton Son & Co (Holdings), Eastern Produce (Holdings), Hopkinson Holdings, Philips, Portsmouth and *Sunderland Newspapers*, REA Holdings, Royal Trust Yen Bond Fund, Thomson Organisation. **Finals:** Fundinvest, National Home Loans Corporation.

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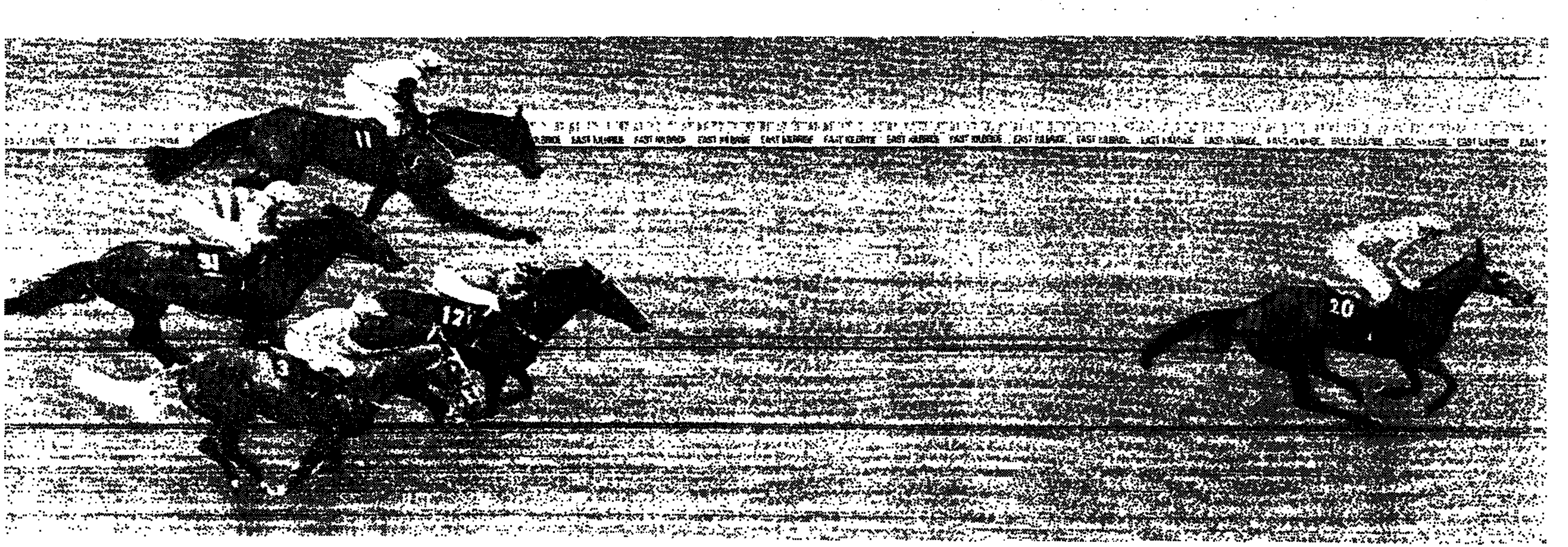

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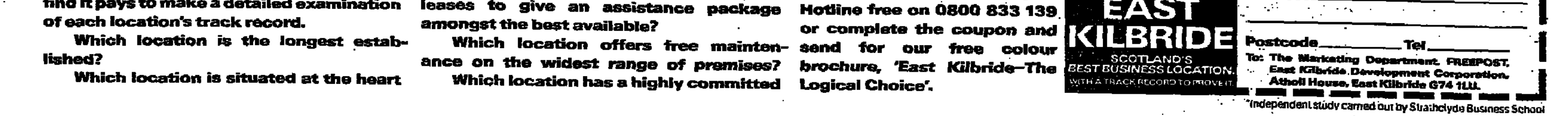

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STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Capitalization and week's change

(Current market price multiplied by the number of shares in issue for the stock quoted)
ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings begin today. Dealings end November 6. §Contango day November 9. Settlement day November 16.
§Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	Banro	Industrials A-D	
2	Bank of Wales	Banks,Discount	
3	Neepsend	Industrials L-R	
4	Bailey (Ben) Constr	Building,Roads	
5	Murray Elect	Electricals	
6	Aurora	Industrials A-D	
7	Burtonwood Brew	Breweries	
8	Magnolia	Industrials L-R	
9	Kershaw (A)	Industrials E-K	
10	TSW	Cinemas,TV	
11	Black (Peter)	Industrials A-D	
12	King & Shaxson	Banks,Discount	
13	Ansbacher (Henry)	Banks,Discount	
14	Triefus	Industrials S-Z	
15	Castles	Banks,Discount	
16	Howard Hldgs	Building,Roads	
17	Dewhirst (IJ)	Drapery,Stores	
18	DDT Group	Electricals	
19	Marshall (Loxley)	Industrials L-R	
20	Talbex	Industrials S-Z	
21	Batleys	Foods	
22	Guinness Peat	Banks,Discount	
23	Munton	Textiles	
24	Reed (Austin)	Drapery,Stores	
25	Lon Scot	Banks,Discount	
26	Utd Guarantee	Industrials S-Z	
27	Anglo Nordic	Industrials A-D	
28	Finlan Gp	Building,Roads	
29	New London Oil	Oils,Gas	
30	Babcock	Industrials A-D	
31	Ropner	Industrials L-R	
32	Sycamore	Industrials S-Z	
33	Benchmark	Banks,Discount	
34	Dinkie Heel	Industrials A-D	
35	Fife Indmar	Industrials E-K	
36	McKay Secs	Property	
37	Norfolk Cap Gp	Hotels,Caterers	
38	Portsmouth Sund	Newspapers,Pub	
39	Macfarlane	Industrials L-R	
40	Lees (John J)	Foods	
41	Anglo Utd	Building,Roads	
42	Ulster TV	Cinemas,TV	
43	Johnson & FB	Industrials E-K	
44	Cullens	Foods	
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OVERSEAS TRADERS

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Thu day	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
21.7m	Chillington	170	-25	9.7	5.7	25.1
99.1m	Finlay (James)	106	-20	5.7	5.4	..
630.3m	Harrison Crosfield	480	-238	32.9b	6.9	17.3
516.6m	Inchcape	610	-328	30.8	5.0	14.6
891.6m	Lonrho (aa)	239	-109	18.5	8.8	11.3
35.7m	Ocean Wilson	90	-16	3.4	3.8	14.0
83.8m	Paterson Zoch	342	-48	9.7	2.8	8.8
78.1m	Do 'A'	340	-50	9.0	2.6	8.7
418.7m	Polly Peck	298	-120	9.6	3.2	6.4
345.2m	Sime Darby	80	●-38	..	..	..
186.3m	Tozer Kemsley	94	-45	1.5	1.6	9.5

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Capitalization £	Company	Price last Thu day	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
7,202.0m	BAT (aa)	483	●-180	21.0	4.3	11.4
32.4m	Carroll	135	●-35	..	..	..
1,008.1m	Rothmans 'B' (aa)	371	-122	10.6	2.9	10.3

● Ex dividend a Ex all b Forecast dividend e Interim payment passed f Price at suspension g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment k Pre-merger figures n Forecast earnings o Ex other r Ex rights s Ex scrip or share split t Tax-free .. No significant data.

UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS

THE UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering

CHAIR OF ENGINEERING SOFTWARE

Applications are invited for a new Chair of Engineering Software. The appointment to the Chair will be associated with a further appointment to a Senior Lectureship. The successful applicant will have unusual opportunities to develop this important new area, both establishing his/her own interests and building on a wide range of existing teaching and research.

The appointment will be made from a date and at a salary to be arranged with the successful candidate.

Further particulars may be obtained from the Registrar, the University, Leeds, LS2 9JT, quoting reference 66/45. Applications (two copies) giving details of age, qualifications and experience, and naming three referees, should reach the Registrar not later than 31 December 1987. Applicants from overseas may apply in the first instance by cable, telex (556473 Unilds G) or facsimile (0532-420090), naming three referees, preferably in the United Kingdom.

British Postgraduate Medical Federation

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

SECRETARY

Applications are invited for the post of Secretary to the British Postgraduate Medical Federation (BPMF). The BPMF is a large postgraduate medical school of the University of London and includes eight postgraduate Institutes concerned with medical research, medical education and the care of patients. The Federation also includes the departments of the Postgraduate Deans in Medicine and Dentistry for the Thames Health Regions.

The scope of work of this important senior administrative post concerns the relationship of the school with Senate House, other schools of the University, coordination between the federated Institutes and the relationship of the BPMF with other academic institutions nationally and internationally.

The successful candidate would also be expected to support and be actively engaged in a range of new educational and commercial ventures, particularly in efforts to effect a closer relationship between industry and the science base of the federation.

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Further details may be obtained from the Director, British Postgraduate *Medical Federation, 33 Millman Street, London. WC1 (Tel: 01-831-6222)* to whom applications should be addressed not later than November 14th 1987.

UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL

Department of Economics

Lectureship in Accounting

Applications are invited for a *permanent Lectureship in* Accounting tenable from 1 August 1988. The appointee will join a lively multi-disciplinary Department with a strong commitment to Accounting. Applicants with interests in any aspect of accounting are welcome, but *those with expertise in the* areas of finance and computer applications are particularly encouraged to apply. Salary is on the lecturer's scale £8,735-£18,210, at a starting point to be determined by the appointee's qualifications, age and experience.

Further particulars from:

The Registrar and Secretary
(ref. JC)
University of Bristol
Senate House
Bristol BS8 1TH

to whom applications should be *sent by Friday 4th December* 1987.

ST HUGH'S COLLEGE OXFORD

Tutorial Fellowship and CUF Lectureship in Philosophy

The College proposes to elect, with effect from 1 October 1988, a Fellow and Tutor in *Philosophy*.

The Fellowship (open to men and women) is tenable with a University post *(CUF lectureship)*.

Application forms and further particulars can be obtained *from the*

Senior Tutor,
St Hugh's College,
Oxford OX2 6LE,

to whom completed applications, *naming three* referees, should be submitted, not later than 1 December 1987.

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE

CHAIR OF FINE ART

Applications are invited for the Chair of Fine Art which is vacant following the appointment of Professor Norman Adams to the Chair of Painting at the Royal Academy.

The University is seeking a distinguished artist, preferably a painter who is currently an active exhibitor of his work. The new Professor should have experience in the teaching of fine art and must be sympathetic to *the promotion and development of all the department's* activities. It is assumed that the new Professor will be able to develop and maintain good contacts outside the University and be sympathetic to the educational needs of the department as a whole.

The appointment will take effect as soon as possible.

Salary will be at an appropriate point on the Professorial salary scale.

Further particulars may be obtained from the deputy Registrar, The University, 6 Kensington Terrace, *Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 7RU (quoting RefT) with* whom applications (15 copies), giving the names of three referees, should be lodged not later than November 16, 1987. (Applicants from outside the UK *may submit one copy only).*

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

Administrative Assistant

Applications are invited for a new post, primarily to *work in the University Personnel Office. Duties will* be varied, and will include general administrative work. Candidates should be educated at least to good honours degree standard, and have an interest in personnel administration; formal qualifications in personnel work are not essential. Salary on the Administrative Grade 1 or 2 scale (range *£8185, £8735, £9305, £9865, £10440, £11015 or £11460, £12035, £12605, £13080, £13675, £14245, £14825)* according to age and experience.

Application forms and further particulars from the Registrar, University of Warwick, Coventry, CV4 7AL (0203-523627) quoting reference no. 11/B/87/J (please mark clearly on envelope). Closing date 13th November 1987.

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The appointment, for two years in the first instance, is linked to the launching of a new M.Sc. in the Economics of Latin America in September 1988. The appointment will be made either on the Lecturer Grade A scale (salary: £8,735 - £13,675) or on the Lecturer Grade B scale (salary £14,245 - £18,210) with effect from 1 September 1988. London weighting of £1,393 is also payable.

Application forms and further particulars are available from *the Assistant Personnel* **Officer, Queen Mary College, Mile End Road, London E1 4NS. Tel: 01-980 4811. Please quote Ref. 07/93. The closing date for receipt of applications is 30 November 1987.**

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TUTORSHIP IN LAW

Applications are invited for the post of Tutor in Law tenable from 1 January 1988 (or as soon as *possible therafter) until* 30 September 1989. Salary on the scale for Tutors, £8,185 to *£11,015 per annum* (£8,575 to £11,680 from 1 March 1988.)

***Applications forms and* further particulars can be obtained from the Staffing Officer, The University College of Wales. Old *College*, King Street, Aberystwyth, SY23 2AX (Tel. 0970-3177, Ext 207). Closing date for applications: Monday, 23 November 1987.**

THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM

The Hind Chair of Commercial Law

Applications are invited for this new chair of commercial law. The chair is endowed in perpetuity by the Lady Hind Trust. Commercial law is understood in a wide sense so as to include not only the more central areas of the subject but also other new and developing areas.

The appointment will be made to take effect from the session 198809 and the salary will be within the professorial range.

Forms of applications and further particulars, returnable not later than 9 November 1987, *from the Staff Appointments Officer*, University of Nottingham, University Park, Nottingham NG7 2RD. Ref No 1128.

UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL

Chair of Paediatric Pathology

Applications are invited from Paediatric Pathologists for the newly *established Liverpool Health Authority Chair of Fetal and Infant* Pathology to be held in the Department of Pathology and the Royal Liverpool Children's Hospital (Alder Hey). The successful candidate will enjoy the support of a substantial grant from the Foundation for the Study of Infant Deaths.

The salary will be within the range approved for clinical professorial salaries (currently up to *£32,840* per annum) and, initially, will depend on the qualifications and experience of the successful candidate.

Interested parties are invited to contact Professor F. Harris, Dean of the Faculty of *Medicine*, Tel. 051-709 2601.

Applications, together with the names of three referees, should be received not later than 31st December 1987, by The Registrar, The University, *P.O. Box 147*, Liverpool, *L69 3BX*, from whom further particulars may be obtained.

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HORIZONS

A guide to career choice

The joy in going for a song

Music certainly is the food of love for those who want to make it their career. At the start it can be hard and lonely work with few rewards. But for many, the satisfaction it gives is everything. Beryl Dixon advises on how to get started and opportunities

What sort of person *chooses a career* requiring 100 per cent dedication, a sound *constitution* (much of the work being done in draughty *halls with meals* at *irregular* intervals) with no guarantee of regular work, *and further demanding* the business acumen and marketing skills necessary in self-employment? A professional soloist, that's who.

A professional singer who also takes private pupils and teaches at one of London's music colleges, says: "You must want to be a singer or die. There's no other way to put it. But you also want to give something back. That's why the teaching is so rewarding."

The drawbacks sound innumerable. On the performance side, she points out that singers lead a lonely existence. They rehearse alone, spend hours learning a piece, ultimately travelling to the concert location where they may have minimum rehearsal time with the other performers.

Fifty per cent of her earnings from private lessons, she estimates, go in overheads. There is the need to insure against sickness, *the cost* of a good piano (singers must also be good keyboard players unless they want to pay accompanists), a car, and *suitable premises* — central, accessible, with rooms which can be soundproofed.

She has also taught on a peripatetic basis in state schools, but found that this can be an equally lonely existence. "You *don't have time to get to know the other* staff, and some schools have the worst facilities. I've taught in odd corners and cloakrooms." In other words, she adds, welcome, conditions and enthusiasm are all that could be desired.

Would she do anything else? No! Anyone reaching that stage, after winning a place at music college against huge *odds* and *staying in the profession, is* endowed with considerable determination. Starry-eyed hopefuls accepted at one of the nine music colleges or conservatoires — entry competition at one stands at 82 cello applicants, all preselected by their own teachers who know the odds, for three places — are unlikely to be deterred by worries about the future.

But, if they are to succeed in a world where work is largely freelance, they need more than artistic ability.

Is it worth, then, considering a musical career if you are not prepared to develop *these additional skills?*

There is some salaried employment available to performers, largely in orchestras where prospects depend on the instrument studied. Thirty orchestras — the four big London ones and provincial, the BBC and opera company orchestras — each have 30 violinists and three clarinetists. When orchestras advertise a *post they are likely to get* between 30 and 80 applications.

Pianists, naturally, find few openings *other than as soloists or accompanists.* Other musicians, and some instrumentalists who choose to do so, are *freelance from the outset and face the* problem of becoming known while establishing a reputation.

Conducting offers few openings and few musicians earn a living from composing alone. Most performers combine different methods of working, certainly early in their careers, accepting a mixture of orchestral and ensemble engagements and even, if a member of an orchestra, doing some teaching. "If one's interests are wide-ranging, there are many openings in youth orchestras, summer schools, and so on," says one instrumentalist.

Fortunately for young musicians, guidance is available from the Incorporated Society of Musicians which advises on professional and business matters, tax and insurance. It is also given by the trade unions; for some types of work it is obligatory to join a union — opera singers must become members of

Equity and orchestral players of the Musicians' Union. It is difficult to discover what proportion of music students succeed in earning a living from performance, or in music at all. The Music Advisers' National Association attempted last year, when preparing an excellent book on careers in music, to obtain information from all nine colleges. Only two provided it. Mana comments: "That an intending conservatoire student should ask for such statistics does not seem an impertinence."

In fairness to colleges, it cannot be easy to maintain contact with former students, many of whom are working as freelances and continually on the move. *The Incorporated Society of Musicians* quotes one conservatoire whose enquiry letters are returned by post offices all over the world. Yet two manage to do so.

Not all musicians work as performers. Many make their way in music librarianship, music publishing, retailing, writing and teaching, both as instrumental and as class teachers. Music-related careers include administration — with the arts councils and associations, in festival, concert hall or orchestra management, in broadcasting or as performers' agents. Some, with an interest in rehabilitation, work as music therapists. Others become *musical instrument technologists.*

Music linked to another skill opens several doors. For those with technical *ability must be added* work with record companies and recording studios. A few become roadies and buskers.

Not all music students attend conservatories; they can apply for a place at universities and polytechnics (largely, but not wholly, academic courses). Some contain surprisingly large amounts of

practical music-making and composition, and some graduates become performers. *Jobs as freelance* musicians, principal horn and sub-principal *trombone* with leading orchestras have been found by graduates. Most, however, enter the administrative and music-related fields. A recent survey of university music graduates found that most opted for teacher-training or further study at conservatoires. Of the 153 choosing employment, 30 found work directly connected with acting or music*. The rest found employment using their degrees as generalist qualifications.

It is often overlooked by school-leavers, and parents, that a music degree is equivalent to any other arts degree when it comes to job-hunting. Indeed, music graduates are able to demonstrate a high degree of commitment, self-discipline and capacity for hard work, and usually set themselves very high standards as graduate trainees in many areas, including computing, administration, banking, the civil service, social work and selling.

The primary questions when choosing a music course should be: Do I want a career as a performer? Do I want a music-related career? Do I want to specialize in my favourite subject now but eventually look for a career in another area?

** Figures taken from* Careers in Music *by the Music Advisers' National Association, based on universities' statists.*

● **Further Information:** Careers in Music, *free, from the Incorporated Society of Musicians, 10 Stratford Place, London W1N 9AE.*

Careers in Music — Just the Job, *£4.75, from Manaprint, Medlock School, Wadeson Road, Manchester M13 9UR.*

Musicians' Union, 60-62 Clapham Road, London SW9 0JJ.

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THE UNIVERSITY OF HULL

THE LAW SCHOOL

Applications are invited for a Temporary Lectureship in the Law School to replace a member of the permanent staff who will be on leave of absence. The period of appointment will be from 1 January 1988 (or as soon as *possible thereafter)* to 31 December 1989. Preference will be given to candidates who can offer Public Law and the International Law of Human Rights.

Salary will be on the Lecturer scale: £8,753 - *£13,675 p.a.* or *£14,245* - £18,210 p.a. according to qualifications and experience.

Applications (6 copies), giving details of age, qualifications and experience, together with the names of *three referees*, should be lodged by 2 November 1987 with

The Senior Personnel Officer,
The University
of Hull,
Hull, HU6 7RX

from whom further particulars may be obtained.

(Telephone (0482) 465277).

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

TWO LECTURERS OR ASSISTANT LECTURERS IN THE FACULTY OF LAW

Applications are invited for two posts of University lecturer or Assistant Lecturer to take up appointment on 1 January 1988 or such later date as may be agreed.

The Appointments Committee concerned hope soon to be in a position to appoint to these offices, which are being established *primarily to introduce new teaching strength into the post*-graduate LL.M. course. The successful candidates will also be expected to teach and examine for the undergraduate Law Tripos.

At least one and perhaps both of the appointments will be in the general area of Commercial Law, such as Credit and Security, Intellectual Property, or Banking Law. The other appointment may be in the field of the Conflict of Laws, E.E.C. Law, or Comparative Law.

Further information concerning the duties and conditions of appointment may be obtained from the Secretary of the Appointments Committee for the Faculty of Law, Old Syndics Building, Mill Lane, Cambridge CB2 1RX, to whom applications together with a full curriculum vitae and the names of two referees should be sent so as to reach him not later than 11 *November* 1987.

University of Bristol

CHAIR IN SURGERY

Applications are invited for appointment to the Chair of Surgery following the resignation of Professor R.C.N. Williamson.

Suitably qualified candidates are invited to submit applications by 11th December, *1987*. Further particulars of the appointment may be obtained from the Registrar and Secretary of the University, Senate House, Bristol, BS8 1TH.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

Innovative Organic Synthesis for Advanced Technology

A postdoctoral vacancy has arisen for an organic chemist with a flair for innovative synthetic chemistry to play a leading role in a major new multi-disciplinary research programme directed at the synthesis of novel macromolecular systems for advanced technology application.

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Appointment will be for a period of one year in the first instance with possible renewal for up to a maximum of three years. Starting salary is in the range £9,305 - £11,015 depending upon age and experience.

Applications with a C.V., a brief outline of research interests, and the names and addresses of two referees to Dr. G.S. Attard, Department of Chemistry, The University, Southampton SO9 5NH *quoting reference 446/HFW/GD.*

ASTON UNIVERSITY

This fast-rising technological university is seeking to fill a wide range of posts that have been held open during the quality-driven, demand-led restructuring of the entire institution and its facilities that has been carried out over the last few years. Major investment in a powerful IT infrastructure, pioneering ventures such as the on-campus TV-based Centre for Extension Education, the Aston Science Park and the West Midlands Technology Transfer Centre, and the recent relocation and refurbishment of most departments, have created exceptional opportunities for candidates with an innovative approach to teaching, research, academic services and administration, particularly those interested in applying modern IT.

Searches are under way for candidates for the following posts:

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Vision Sciences	***Chair***

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► *Accounting*	***Chair*** ***Readership*** ***Lectureship(s)***
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► *Public Sector Management*	***Chair***
► *Organisational Psychology*	***Chair*** ***Lectureship***
► *Strategic Management*	***Chair*** ***Lectureship(s)***
Modern Languages	***Chair*** ***Readership***

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Computing Service	***Director***

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

Secretary-Registrar
Assistant for Planning
Personnel Officer
Director of University Relations
Information Officer

Searches for individuals, or groups wishing to transfer to Aston, will continue until all of the vacancies are filled by outstanding candidates. Advertisements will appear from time to time, but further particulars of the posts are already available from the Personnel Officer, Aston University, Aston Triangle, Birmingham B4 7ET.
Tel: (021) 359 3611, ext. 4562.

Anyone wishing to discuss any of the posts informally, from personal interest or to advise others, may approach the appropriate Head of Department, or the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Sir Frederick Crawford.

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UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS

University of Reading
Appointments

PROFESSORSHIP OF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING

Applications are invited for the Professorship of Construction Engineering in the Department of Construction Management which will become vacant on the retirement of Professor W.D. Biggs, OBE.

The appointment will be made from 1 October 1988 or as soon as possible thereafter. The University expects to establish a Research Fellowship (for a fixed term of five years) in conjunction with the Professorship.

Candidates should have an established reputation in any of the main branches of construction engineering, construction technology, building engineering services and building science and have strong links with the industry and relevant professions. The Professor will be expected, in particular, to give leadership in the development of construction technology in the Department.

Further information may be obtained from the Registrar, Room 212, Whiteknights House, P.O.Box 217, The University, Whiteknights, Reading RG6 2AH

The closing date for applications is 4 December 1987.

University of Reading
Appointments

Professorship of Agricultural Economics

Applications are invited for a Professorship of Agricultural Economics in the Department of Agricultural Economics and Management. The appointment will be made as soon as possible from a date to be agreed with the successful candidate.

Candidates should have an established interest and reputation in the theoretical and practical aspects of national and international resource use in the food and agricultural sectors. The Professor will be expected in particular to provide leadership in research and postgraduate teaching.

Further information may be obtained from the Registrar, Room 212, Whiteknights House, P.O. Box 217, The University, Whiteknights, Reading, RG6 2AH.

The closing date for applications is 20 November 1987.

University of Birmingham
Centre for Computing and Computer Science

CHAIR OF APPLIED COMPUTING

Applications are invited for a new Chair of Applied Computing which is currently available. The appointment is intended to strengthen the research base of the Centre and also to co-ordinate and develop information technology in the University. Preference may be given to candidates with an established research record in one or more of the areas of Software Engineering, Man/Machine Interaction, Intelligent Knowledge Based Systems and Communications. Academic or appropriate industrial experience will be considered.

Salary in the professorial range, plus superannuation.

Further particulars available from the Vice-Chancellor, University of Birmingham, PO Box 363, Birmingham B15 2TT, to whom applications (3 copies: 1 from overseas applicants) should be sent by 30 November 1987.

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER

Chair in Engineering Dynamics

The Department of Engineering includes the Schools of Aeronautical, Civil, Mechanical and Nuclear Engineering as a single community in the Simon Building. Applications for the chair are invited from within a correspondingly wide range of interests in the general areas of dynamics or control.

Applications (one copy suitable for photo-copying), giving full details of qualifications and experience, and the names and addresses of three persons to whom reference may be made should be sent no later than November 20th, 1987, to the **Registrar, the University, Manchester M13 9PL**, from whom further particulars may be obtained. Please quote ref. 214/87/TT.

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University of Exeter

Chair in the Department of Economics

Applications are invited for a newly established Chair in the Department of Economics tenable from 1 September 1988 or as soon thereafter as may be practicable. The University hopes to appoint a person with strong quantitative/econometric skills interested in mainstream economic problems.

Salary will be on the agreed Professorial range: minimum £23380 p.a.; average £28820 p.a.(*scale effective 1 March 1988*)

Further particulars are available from the *Personnel Office, University of Exeter, Exeter EX4 4QJ.* Closing date for receipt of applications 24 November 1987.

BIRKBECK COLLEGE
(University of London)

TEMPORARY LECTURER
DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

The Department proposes to appoint a full-time temporary lecturer from 15th April 1987 to 30th June 1988 during the absence of a member of staff in the United States. The person appointed will have a special interest in the Novel, as a form, and will be required to teach courses on the 19th and 20th Century Novel, at B.A. and M.A. level. Knowledge of American Literature may be an advantage. The appointment will involve full participation in the activities of the Department, including Tutorial Supervision.

Salary will be based pro rata at a point appropriate to age and experience within the first 5 points of the Grade A Lecturers scale £10,128-£12,408 p.a. inclusive of London Weighting.

Applications in triplicate including a full curriculum vitae, list of publications and the names and addresses of two referees should be returned to the **Assistant Secretary (Personnel), (L/ENG) (T), Birkbeck College, Malet Street, London, WC1E 7HX. Closing date: 20 November 1987.**

UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL

Walter Myers Chair of Parasitology

Applications are invited for the Walter Myers Chair of Parasitology, which has become vacant following the retirement of Professor G.S. Nelson. This is a full-time appointment in the Department of Parasitology within the School of Tropical Medicine.

Applications are welcome from candidates who have an outstanding record in any area of medical parasitology.

The appointment will be made either as a clinical appointment, in the case of the successful candidate being appropriately qualified, or as a non-clinical appointment.

The salary will be up to £32,840 per annum in the case of a clinical appointment or not less than £23,105 per annum in the case of a non-clinical appointment.

Interested parties are invited to contact informally Professor W.W. Macdonald, Dean, School of Tropical Medicine, Tel. 051-708 9393.

Applications, together with the names of three referees, should be received not later than 31st December 1987, by The Registrar, The University, P.O. Box 147, Liverpool, L69 3BX, from whom further particulars may be obtained.

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Applications are invited for the post of Midland Group Professor of Banking and Finance in the Department of Management Studies. The appointee will be required to develop and co-ordinate teaching and research in the management of banks and financial institutions, liaise closely with specialists in money and banking in the Department of Economics and in accounting and financial management in the Department of Management Studies, and develop and maintain effective relationships with banks and financial institutions. The appointee will be a member of the University Banking Centre, a postgraduate and post-experience teaching and research centre established jointly with the Department of Economics.

Applicants should possess appropriate academic qualifications and relevant expertise and research experience. The salary will be within the professorial range (from 1 March 1988 minimum £23380 and average £28820).

Application forms and further particulars may be obtained from the Registrar. Informal enquiries may be made to Professor G Gregory or Professor J. Sizer (Tel: 0509 223101).

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UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CARDIFF
DEPARTMENT OF EXTRA MURAL STUDIES, CENTRE FOR CONTINUING VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

PICKUP OFFICER

Applications are invited for the post of PICKUP Officer to develop training and short course provision for local industrial and commercial organisations and to maximise the potential of University College, Cardiff to deliver such work. The officer will build up the existing activities of the College in these fields.

The successful candidate should have a background in industrial training or management and a working knowledge of higher education and be able to demonstrate good organisational and communication skills. The post is financed for one year by pump-priming funds made available by the Welsh Office. The College will review the scheme towards the end of the year to determine whether it should continue on a self-financing basis.

Initial salary will be on Administrative Staff Grade 2 £12,035-£12,805 p.a. Duties to commence as soon as possible.

Applications (2 copies) together with the names and addresses of two referees should be forwarded to the Establishment Officer, University College, P.O. Box 78, Cardiff CF1 1XL, from whom further particulars can be obtained.

Closing date 13th November 1987.

Ref 3234.

FELLOWSHIPS

UNIVERSITY OF SUSSEX
Science Policy Research Unit

LECTURER IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY STUDIOS

Applications are invited for this appointment under UGC's "New Blood" scheme. The successful applicant will be expected to contribute to research on science and technology policy (especially the systematic measurement of scientific and technological activities, their determinants and impact), as well as to undertake teaching and related administrative duties in these areas at both postgraduate and undergraduate levels. Formal qualifications may be in either the natural or the social sciences and the applicants should be no older than 35 on 1 October 1987, although in exceptional cases older applicants with appropriate qualifications and interests will be considered.

Starting salary on scale Grade A £8735-£13,675 p.a. plus membership of USS.

Application forms and further particulars from Artemis Harman, Personnel Office, Sussex House, University of Sussex, Brighton, East Sussex BN1 9RH. Tel (0273) 678202 quoting Ref (LST), to whom completed applications should be returned by 20 October, 1987.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CARDIFF
MICROBIOLOGY DEPARTMENT

POST DOCTORAL FELLOW

Post doctoral research fellow needed to work with Dr. Julian Wimpenny on a Ministry of Agriculture Fisheries and Food supported project. Work entails investigating the effect of multiple physico-chemical factors on the growth of food spoilage organisms. Results will be collected using image analysis techniques and analysed with the aid of computers. Experienced microbiologists with some experience of computing would be most suitable. Salary range R1 1A £9,305 - £9,865 p.a. Duties to commence as soon as possible.

Applications (2 copies) together with the names and addresses of two referees and Curriculum Vitae should be forwarded to the Establishment Officer, University College, P.O. Box 78, Cardiff CF1 1XL. For further information please telephone Dr. J. Wimpenny (0222) 874000 ext. 5775.

Closing date 6th November 1987. Ref. 3233.

FELLOWSHIPS

THE UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER

SENIOR FELLOWSHIPS

Applications are invited for SIMON RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS in any of the Social Sciences, including Law and Education, tenable during the academic session 1988/89. Stipends normally within the range £8,735 - £13,675 p.a.(under review) (Simon Research Fellowships) or £8,735 - £18,210 p.a. (under review) (Simon Senior Research Fellowships) according to qualifications and experience. Applications are invited for HALLSWORTH FELLOWSHIPS in advanced work in the field of Political Economy (including Public Administration). Stipends within the range £8,735 - £22,050 p.a.(under review) according to qualifications and experience.

These Fellowships are not awarded for postgraduate study and applicants should have experience which will qualify them to carry out a substantial piece of original research. Enquiries about the scope of the Fellowships are welcomed. Further particulars and application forms (returnable by December 1st) are obtainable from the Registrar (Academic Staffing), The University, Manchester M13 9PL. Please state for which Fellowship details are required and quote ref. 222/87/TT.

POSTS

Cranfield

LECTURER/ SENIOR LECTURER in MARKETING

To support its expanding teaching and research activities, Cranfield School of Management is seeking to make additional appointments to its Marketing teaching team. One of these appointments will be in the Industrial Technology Marketing area, an interest in International Marketing and/or Marketing Communications would also be an advantage

Teaching experience, preferably at post-graduate and post-experience levels is essential. The successful candidate will also have a research track record and probably will have appropriate commercial experience.

Salary Range.
Lecturer: £8735-£18210 (£9260-£19310 from 1st March 1988)
Senior Lecturer. £18490-£21605 (£20270-£22910 from 1st March 1988)

These appointments will be for a term of 2 years in the first instance.

Informal enquiries may be made to Professor Martin Christopher on (0234) 751122.

Application forms and further details are available from the Personnel Department, Cranfield Institute of Technology, Cranfield, Bedford MK43 0AL, telephone Bedford (0234) 750111 ext. 3343 quoting reference numbers 7129K/7172K.

Cranfield School of Management

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You should have the integrity to work without supervision and a versatility to adapt to many facets of sports involvement. In addition, a knowledge and practice of First Aid will be considered an advantage. Possession of coaching qualifications essential.

Salary Scale 3, £6,951 to £7,503. An irregular hours payment of 10% will be payable during term-time only (ie 36 weeks per year) and will be equalised over the year.

Full details and applications forms returnable by 9th November 1987 from the Staffing Officer, Dorset Institute of Higher Education, Holland House, Oxford Road, Bournemouth, Dorset BH8 8EZ (Bournemouth 290740).

PRINTING WORLD
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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

CURRICULUM ASSISTANT

Appointment of successor required to assist in the production of Christian education resource materials and other work of the Curriculum Development Unit based in Edinburgh.

Applications and recommendations by 16th November, 1987, to the General Secretary, Department of Education, 121 George Street, Edinburgh, EH2 4YN, from whom further information and particulars are available.

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Applications with C.V. to: The Director of Administration, Inchbald School of Design, 7 Eaton Gate, London SW1W 9BA. 01-730 5508.

POSTS

THE ENGLISH SCHOOLS FOUNDATION
HONG KONG

The Executive Committee of The English Schools Foundation and The Council of Island School invite applications for the post of

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which becomes vacant for 31 August 1988 following the appointment of Dr C.H.R. Niven, M.A. (Cantab), Dip.Ed. (Oxon), L ès L. (Nancy and Lille), F.R.S.A., as Headmaster of St George's English School, Rome.

The English Schools Foundation, Hong Kong, administers four secondary and eight primary schools, and a Centre for Children with Special Educational Needs, which are funded by fees and direct government grant.

Island School is a secondary, co-educational day school of some 1,150 pupils (including 230+ in the Sixth Form). The school enjoys an excellent reputation for its high academic and sporting achievements, pastoral care and contributions to the community. The present principal is an overseas member of the H.M.C. The Executive Committee and School Council are seeking applications from well-qualified candidates with considerable experience of working at a senior management level in schools or colleges, and with a proven record of success in education.

The salary will be in the range HK$34,970 to $37,250 per month and the Conditions of Service include generous provision for housing, medical benefits and a 25% annual gratuity.

Applications, with a photograph, full curriculum vitae and the names and addresses of two professional referees should be made to The Secretary, The English Schools Foundation, 43B Stubbs Road, Hong Kong to be received before 27 November 1987.

Selected applicants will be sent further particulars.

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS
GIRTON COLLEGE
CAMBRIDGE

Applications are invited for three Research Fellowships tenable from 1 October 1988 for three years, one for research in the sciences and two for research in an arts subject. The Fellowships are open to men and women graduates of any university. Candidates for a Research Fellowship in an arts subject shall normally be below the age of 35 years.

The emoluments of the Fellowship are reviewed annually. From 1 October 1987 the stipend for a person who has not completed a PH.D is £5,000 per annum; for a person with a PH.D, £7550 per annum rising by two increments to £7750 per annum. Financial support from other sources may be taken into account.

Fellowships are pensionable under USS. Residence is provided, if required; a charge of £74.40p per month is made towards residence; Commons (i.e. meals) are free of charge. If the Research Fellow is married, a living out allowance of £892 p.a. and a child allowance of £250 per annum for the first child is made. Research Fellows will, if they wish, be permitted to teach up to six hours per week. Claims for Research expenses for £600 over the three years may be made.

Applications (2 copies) in an Arts subject, on a form which may be obtained from the Secretary to the Council, Girton College, Cambridge CB3 0JG, must be returned to her not later than 30 October 1987. Applications (2 copies) in a Science subject, on a form which may be obtained from the Secretary to the Council, Girton College, Cambridge CB3 0JG, must be returned to her not later than 5 November 1987. A statement of approximately 1000 words, outlining the work candidates wish to submit in support of their applications and the research they propose to do if elected, will be required at the same time as the application is returned from all applicants. An applicant for a scientific Research Fellowship, in addition, should submit a short resume of his/her research for an informed layman.

Applicants should state when writing for an application form whether their subject of research is an Arts or a Science subject. If the applicant is short-listed he/she will be asked to submit work in support of the application: in an Arts subject in early November, in a Science subject in late November. In a Science subject it is suggested that the work to be submitted should be a dissertation and/or other writings. If the work is not forthcoming within 14 days the application will not be taken further.

JESUS COLLEGE, OXFORD ORIEL COLLEGE, OXFORD FIXED-TERM FELLOWSHIP AND LECTURERSHIP IN GERMAN

Jesus College proposes to elect a suitably qualified candidate to a teaching Fellowship in German Language and Literature with effect from 1 October, 1988. The Fellowship will be held in conjunction with a Lecturership at Oriel College. The appointment is open to men and women and will be limited to a single period of five years (including one year's probation), with no possibility of extension. The appointment will be in the field of Modern German Literature and the Fellow will be expected to take most of the normal responsibilities of a full Tutorial Fellow. No University post is associated with the appointment.

Further particulars may be obtained from the Principal, Jesus College, Oxford OX1 3DW to whom applications, together with the names of three referees, should be sent not later than 28 November 1987.

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Appointment until August 1990 in the first instance.

Salary: Lecturer I/II (pay award pending).

Further particulars and application form can be obtained from:

The Principal's Secretary,
The College of St. Paul and St. Mary, The Park,
Cheltenham GL50 2RH.

Closing date for applications: 9th November 1987.

University of London
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(two year temporary post)

Applications are invited for this post which will be for two years in the first instance. The successful candidate will develop the teaching of management for industry, commerce, the professions voluntary and statutory agencies. No specific area of management is specified and applications based on secondment will be considered.

Salary will be on the scale £9,810 - £16,035 per annum inclusive of London Allowance.

Write for further details to the Senior Assistant Registrar (Personnel), University of London Goldsmiths' College, London SE14 6NW. Closing date for receipt of completed applications 6th November 1987.

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Further details are obtainable from the Director, Eaton Hall International, Retford, Nottinghamshire, DN22 0PR. Tel. (0777) 706441. Closing date 6 November. Please quote ref: 122.

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For Further details please apply to the Admissions Secretary.

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SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP IN THEOLOGY

The College proposes to elect, from time to time, a graduate to a Senior Scholarship in Theology. The Scholar is to study, as a member of Exeter College, for the Final Honour School of Theology, or the Final Honour School of Philosophy and Theology.

The value of the Scholarship will be determined by the College in the light of the Scholar's financial circumstances, but may, in appropriate cases, cover all College and University fees, and provide a maintenance grant at the current LEA level.

The Scholarship is open to both men and women graduates; other things being equal, preference will be given to candidates who intend to proceed to Holy Orders.

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The Entrance Examinations for 11+, 12+ and 13+ entry to the Senior School will take place on Friday, 12 February 1988. Girls and boys born between 1 September 1976 and 31 August 1977 will be eligible for entry at 11+ and subsequent years thereafter. All candidates will be invited for interview in the week prior to the written examinations and will have an opportunity to see the School.

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3. **AWARDS AND BURSARIES** First Year Awards are offered as a result of the First Year Entrance Examination (see above). Music Awards are also available at this stage.

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Justices should not amplify reasons on appeal

W v P

Before Mr Justice Ewbank

[Judgment October 22]

It was undesirable for justices, after giving the reason for their decision in a custody issue in accordance with rule 36 of the Magistrates' Courts Rules (SI 1981 No 552 (L1)) to amplify those reasons on being served with the notice of appeal.

Mr Justice Ewbank so stated in the Family Division on allowing the mother's appeal from the order of Seaham Justices granting custody of her daughter to the father. His Lordship remitted the case to the Middlesbrough District Registry.

Mr Philip Kramer for the mother; Miss Andrea Addleman for the father.

MR JUSTICE EWBANK said the mother, who was not married to the father, had sought the custody of her daughter under section 1 of the Guardianship of Minors Act 1971. After a hearing lasting several days the justices had made a custody order in favour of the father. The little girl was now four years old and had been living with the father since January 1986.

On being served with the mother's notice of appeal, the justices decided to file amplified reasons to those which were given at the end of the hearing of the mother's application.

There was no provision in the Magistrates' Courts Rules 1981 for justices to amplify their reasons and as a general rule, it was undesirable for justices so to do. His Lordship had not taken into account the second amplified reasons.

It appeared to be the practice of the clerk to the Easington Justices to have ready a list of authorities together with appropriate photocopies of those authorities for the use of the justices and advocates.

His Lordship could not help thinking that the justices had been overburdened with authorities and that cases which bore directly on the issue had been overlooked or misinterpreted.

The justices had stated in their reasons that they had to consider as the first and paramount consideration the welfare of the child and that that consideration was the top item in a list of items relevant to the matter. They based that reasoning on *J v C* ([1970] AC 668).

However Lord MacDermott had said at p710: "The second question of construction is as to the scope and meaning of the words '. . . shall regard the welfare of the infant as the first and paramount consideration'. Reading these words in their ordinary significance, and relating them to the various classes of proceedings which the section has already mentioned, it seems to me that they must mean more than that the child's welfare is to be treated as the top item in a list of items relevant to the matter in question."

The justices appeared to have considered the matter with the wrong principles in mind.

The justices also said that they considered the matter finely balanced and had considered transferring the proceedings to the High Court.

The justices had also stated that it would be better to maintain the *status quo* because it was uncertain what risks would be involved if the child were uprooted from her present environment but if there were to be risks then the justices should not take them.

Justices should not hesitate to take risks if the paramount welfare of the child pointed to a particular course.

Solicitors: Lawrence Graham and Middleton Lewis Lawrence Graham for Longden Mann & Wright, Seaham; Richardson Batty, Leeds.

Crown court is entitled to hear an appeal against sentence in absence of represented appellant

Regina v Guildford Crown Court, Ex parte Brewer

Before Lord Justice Bingham and Mr Justice Mann

[Judgment October 13]

Where on appeal from a decision of a magistrates court to the crown court notice of appeal had been given to the crown court and not withdrawn and no application had been made by the applicant during the appeal to withdraw, the crown court was right to proceed to hear the appeal in the absence of the defendant but in the presence of his counsel.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held in dismissing an application for judicial review by Jonathan George Brewer from the dismissal by Guildford Crown Court (Judge Rubin and justices) on March 18, 1987 of his appeal against sentences imposed by the Guildford Justices on pleas of guilty to two charges of speeding.

Mr John Gilmartin, who did not appear below, for the applicant; the prosecution and the crown court did not appear and were not represented.

LORD JUSTICE BINGHAM said that the applicant had been sentenced by the justices on two separate charges to two six-month disqualifications to run concurrently and to two fines of £200. He appealed to the crown court against sentence.

The hearing of the appeal had been fixed for March 18, 1987. The applicant, in his affidavit to the Divisional Court, stated that his solicitors had been informed of the hearing only the day before and accordingly counsel had been instructed to request an adjournment because of the applicant's illness.

When the case was called on the prosecution informed the court that the applicant had been telephoned at his place of work but could not be reached as he was engaged in a meeting.

The court was then informed by the applicant's counsel that he was unable to proceed as he had no further instructions to do so. The court decided to continue to hear the appeal on the merits and, having done so, increased the fine to £300 and the period of disqualification to 12 months in respect only of the second offence leaving the first as it stood.

Citing *R v Croydon Crown Court, Ex parte Clair* ([1986] 1 WLR 746), the applicant relied on a passage approved in that case from *Archbold's Quarter Sessions*, 6th edition (1908) p254 which stated: "if the parties to an appeal do not appear, by themselves or by counsel, when the case is called on, the court will order the case to be struck out of the list . . .".

The applicant submitted that the crown court was in excess of jurisdiction and in breach of natural justice in allowing the appeal to proceed in the defendant's absence and the only proper course was to dismiss the case.

His Lordship said that the passage referred to "the parties" and where neither party appeared the proper course would be to dismiss the case. In the present case no application was made to withdraw the appeal and the prosecution was present and ready to proceed.

The appeal to the crown court was by way of rehearing, the court was therefore able to form a judgment on the facts as outlined by the prosecution in deciding whether the sentence was excessive or correct, even in the absence of the applicant. The passage in *Archbold* did not go far enough.

His Lordship said that that conclusion was fortified by rule 11 of the Crown Court Rules (SI 1982 No 1109) which provided that: "without prejudice to the power of the crown court to give leave for an appeal to be abandoned, an appellant may abandon an appeal by giving notice in writing . . . not less than the third day before the day fixed for hearing the appeal".

The position was that the applicant could abandon an appeal without risk as to costs by giving notice to abandon according to rule 11. If, however, no notice in writing was given an application could be made to the court but would require leave to abandon. An applicant could not give notice by failing to appear or by failing to instruct his counsel.

The crown court did not act unlawfully or in breach of natural justice. The applicant's counsel had been asked to apply for leave to abandon. Leave could have been granted if he had done so. He did not. The appeal therefore remained live to be considered by the crown court.

Mr Justice Mann agreed.

Solicitors: Beresford Lowe & Co.

Board liable for failing to give flood warning

Christchurch Drainage Board v Brown and Others

Before Lord Keith of Kinkel, Lord Brandon of Oakbrook, Lord Templeman, Lord Griffiths and Sir Robert Megarry

[Judgment September 14]

A drainage board which was empowered to maintain defences against flooding and whose duty it was to supervise, control and provide sewerage and drainage services was liable in negligence for failing to warn applicants for permission to build a house near a river of the danger of flooding.

The Privy Council so held in dismissing an appeal by the Christchurch Drainage Board from the New Zealand Court of Appeal, which, upholding the decision of the trial judge, Mr Justice Hardie Boys, held that the board was liable in negligence for failing to warn Michael Anthony Brown and Adrienne Ida Brown of the danger of flooding, when permission was granted to them to build their house near to the Heathcote River.

The claim by the Browns against Heathcote County Council had been dismissed by the trial judge and the council took no part before the Privy Council.

Mr C. B. Atkinson, QC and Mr N. V. Taylor, both of the New Zealand Bar, for the board; Mr J. Fogarty and Mr L. Robinson, both of the New Zealand Bar, for Mr and Mrs Brown.

LORD TEMPLEMAN, delivering the judgment of the Judicial Committee, said that the board was appealing from the New Zealand Court of Appeal who in 1986 upheld the decision of Mr Justice Hardie Boys who on August 11, 1982 had awarded damages of NZ$32,900 against the board in respect of its failure to warn Mr and Mrs Brown of the danger of flooding from the Heathcote River or in failing to require them to build above known flood levels.

Under the Christchurch District Drainage Act 1951, the board was responsible for the supervision, control and provision of sewerage and drainage services in the Christchurch area, which included part of the administrative area of Heathcote County. The board was empowered to maintain defences against flooding.

Control of development lay with the county council but in carrying out its duty the council reasonably relied upon the board for information with regard to flood danger and measures necessary to protect any new building from flood damage.

In the exercise of its statutory functions the board maintained records and statistics of the levels attained by flood water and applications for approval of planning applications were therefore referred to the board.

In 1973 Mr and Mrs Brown applied for planning permission to build a house on land, which had previously belonged to Mrs Brown's father, sloping down towards the Heathcote River. On several occasions when Mrs Brown had been staying with her father, the river had overflowed its banks flooding the land in question. The Browns thought, however, that the site chosen would be above flood level.

The site was visited by a representative of the board and the board eventually approved the planning application, without making any comment or requirement relating to flood danger.

The house was built and the Browns occupied it from 1974. It was flooded in 1975, 1976 and 1977. The records maintained by the board showed that it was doomed to be flooded and eventually the ground-floor level had to be raised some six feet.

In 1977 the Browns started their proceedings against both the county council and the board. The board did not allege contributory negligence and elected to give no evidence.

Mr Justice Hardie Boys gave judgment against the board but dismissed the action against the council. The Browns appealed against the dismissal but that appeal was adjourned and remained in limbo. The board obtained leave to appeal to the Privy Council.

There were several unsatisfactory features in the case and, in the circumstances, the only question which their Lordships were at liberty to determine was whether there was a sufficient degree of proximity between the board and the Browns for the board to owe them a duty of care, requiring the board to check and report on flood levels.

The board's functions under the 1951 Act did not bring it into proximity with any individual landowner. When the board became under a statutory duty to approve drains, plumbing facilities and sewerage arrangements that duty did not extend beyond checking that the house was adequately provided with the necessary facilities.

But a duty of care might be assumed: see *Hedley Byrne & Co Ltd v Heller & Partners Ltd* ([1964] AC 465). The board was not expressly asked to check flood levels but the evidence was that it habitually did so without an express request and its duty in those circumstances could not be any less than if it had been expressly asked.

The board had persuasively argued, *inter alia*:

1 The Browns were the authors of their own misfortune when they relied on Mrs Brown's knowledge of flood levels instead of asking the board. But authorities such as the board existed to protect the ignorant and those whose little knowledge was dangerous.

2 The county council was to blame for not asking the board to check flood danger. But the evidence was that the board normally behaved in relation to building permits as though it had been asked — and its representative had inspected the site.

While liability for contributory negligence should have been visited upon the Browns, the Court of Appeal decided not to interfere with the trial judge's discretion to refuse an amendment pleading contributory negligence and on that procedural point their Lordships declined to interfere with the decisions of the courts below or their consequences.

Solicitors: Allen & Overy; Macfarlanes.

Law Society exams

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Reason for refusal must be given

Union Nationale des Entraineurs et Cadres Techniques Professionnels du Football (Unectef) v Heylens and Others

Case 222/86

Before Lord Mackenzie Stuart, President and Judges G. Bosco, O. Due, J. C. Moitinho de Almeida, G. C. Rodriguez Iglesias, T. Koopmans, U. Everling, K. Bahlmann, Y. Galmot, C. N. Kakouris, R. Joliet, T. F. O'Higgins and F. Schockweiler

Advocate General G. F. Mancini

(Opinion June 18, 1987)

[Judgment October 15]

It was essential that there should be an effective judicial remedy against any decision of a national authority which refused the benefit of the right of free access to employment which was a fundamental right granted by the EEC Treaty to all workers in the Community.

In France it was necessary for a football trainer to possess either a national diploma as a football trainer or a foreign qualification recognized as equivalent by a decision of the competent member of the Government.

Mr Heylens was a Belgian national who held a Belgian football trainer's diploma and who had been engaged by Lille Olympic Sporting Club as that club's professional trainer.

Despite the fact that his application for recognition of the Belgian diploma had been rejected by the competent member of the Government on the basis of an adverse opinion from a special committee, which gave no reasons for its decision, Mr Heylens continued to practise his profession.

As a result Unectef initiated criminal proceedings against him and the management of the club which had engaged him before the Tribunal de Grande Instance (regional court), Lille, which suspended its proceedings and referred a question on the interpretation of articles 48 - 51 of the EEC Treaty to the Court of Justice of the European Communities for a preliminary ruling.

In its judgment the European Court of Justice held as follows:

In substance the question submitted by the national court sought to establish whether the principle of freedom of movement for workers established by article 48 of the Treaty required that a decision by the competent authorities of a member state which refused to recognize that a qualification issued by the authorities of the member state of which the worker was a national, should be subject to challenge through legal proceedings and should be reasoned.

In the absence of harmonization of the conditions for access to a profession, member states were entitled to define the experience and qualifications which were necessary for the exercise of that profession and to require the production of a diploma certifying the possession of those qualifications.

The fact that such directives had not yet been adopted did not authorize a member state to refuse the effective benefit of the right of freedom of movement for workers to a person falling within the scope of Community law, where that freedom might be ensured in that member state, in particular by virtue of the fact that its national legislation provided for the recognition of equivalent foreign qualifications.

The procedure for the recognition of equivalence of those qualifications had to enable the national authorities objectively to ascertain that the foreign qualification certified that its holder possessed knowledge and experience which, if not identical, were at least equivalent to those certified by the national qualification.

Since the freedom of access to employment was a fundamental right conferred by the Treaty upon every individual worker in the Community, the possibility of a judicial remedy against any decision of a national authority refusing the benefit of that right was essential in order to ensure the effective protection of that right for an individual.

Since, as in the present case, it was necessary more specifically to ensure the effective protection of a fundamental right granted by the Treaty to Community workers, it was necessary for the latter to be able to defend that right under the best possible conditions and to be able to assess, in full knowledge of the facts, whether it would be worth-while to institute legal proceedings.

In those circumstances it followed that a national authority was under an obligation to notify the persons concerned of the reasons for a refusal of recognition.

On those grounds the European Court held:

Where, in a member state, access to a profession was subject to the possession of a national qualification or of a foreign qualification recognized as its equivalent, the principle of the free movement of workers laid down by article 48 of the Treaty required that a decision which refused a worker who was a national of another member state recognition of the equivalence of a qualification issued by a member state of which he was a national should be subject to legal redress which would enable the legality of that decision to be established with regard to Community law, and that the person concerned should be informed of the reasons upon which the decision was based.

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RUGBY UNION: WEST NORTHUMBERLAND GIANT-KILLERS MAKE SHORT WORK OF A TALL ORDER IN THE JOHN PLAYER SPECIAL CUP

Tynedale not to be taken lightly by the heavyweights

By a Special Correspondent

Tynedale 11
London Scottish 9

Tynedale underlined their growing reputation as the giant-killers of the 1988 John Player Special Cup on Saturday when they unceremoniously knocked London Scottish out of the second round.

The West Northumberland club have not enjoyed the best of form this season in North first division of the Courage Clubs Championship, losing three of the five matches they have played.

They are, however, a different proposition in the cup as first Vale of Lune and now London Scottish have found to their cost.

Tynedale's game is based on a strong pack of forwards, many of whom are farmers, and they have few pretentions about their rugby. It is nevertheless very effective and London Scottish can have no complaints about the final result, although they were very largely the authors of their own misfortune.

For some inexplicable reason, the Scottish forwards abandoned their traditional rucking game in favour of mauling and this played right into Tynedale's hands. To compound matters, Paton, the Scottish stand-off, had what can only be described as a nightmare and his backs, three of whom were being watched by Robin Charters, convenor of the Scottish national selectors, might as well have not have taken the field.

After the Tynedale centre, Harris, had hit a post with a penalty attempt, Tynedale took the lead when John Rutherford darted over in the right-hand corner to round off a movement involving Gary Rutherford, Leslie and Tallantyre.

London Scottish captured the lead four minutes into the second half when from a five-metre scrum, Batten took a pass from his scrum half Glen to squeeze in by the corner flag. Paton converted from the left-hand touch line.

Tynedale regained the lead when Leslie scored a perfect stand-off's try, breaking blind from a five-metre scrum, showing the ball to the defenders and then accepting the gap which opened up as if by magic.

Paton put Scottish back into the lead with a 45-metre penalty before Tynedale launched an all-out assault on the visitors' line. Gledson, the Tynedale hooker and captain, was held up just short of the line and Taylor missed a long range penalty attempt before managing to steady his nerves sufficiently to succeed with a much easier attempt in the closing stages.

The delighted Tynedale captain, Alan Gledson, said after the match: "We don't mind who we get in Monday's draw as long as it is at home." A trip to Tynedale is not something which can now be undertaken lightly.

SCORERS: Tynedale: Tries: J Rutherford, Leslie. Penalty: Taylor. London Scottish: Try: Batten. Conversion: Paton. Penalty: Paton.

TYNEDALE: A Tallantyre; J Rutherford, G Taylor, I Harris, M Richard; C Leslie, G Rutherford; R Parker, A Gledson, C Dixon, F Dickinson, S Dunn, A Murray, M Lee, G Yates.

LONDON SCOTTISH: J Beazley; L Renwick, D Caskie, T Paterson-Brown, L Batten; D Paton, S Glen, S Weir, I Kirk, T Borthwick, I Morrison, I Campbell-Lamerton, J Campbell-Lamerton, D Buchanan, S Austin.

Referee: D L Thomas (North Midlands).

● The touring American Eagles lost their second match when Ebbw Vale beat them 16-14 at Eugene Cross on Saturday. The Eagles had the limited satisfaction of scoring three tries to one, by Jonathan, the new Wales B scrum half. But Parry, the home full back, effectively won the game by kicking four penalties.

Charters: assessing players

One per cent is missing from Nottingham's genius recipe

By David Hands
Rugby Correspondent

Gloucester 17
Nottingham 9

What was it Thomas Edison said about genius? That it was one per cent inspiration and 99 per cent perspiration. Nottingham are surviving these days on the perspiration of their forwards and the organization of their midfield backs but without possession — hence no inspiration — their Courage Clubs Championship challenge is creaking to a standstill.

They lost this first-division match at Kingsholm on Saturday by a goal, two tries and a penalty goal to three penalties and, on another day, Gloucester might have scored considerably more. Their hands let them down at critical moments and they do not really punch their weight (in the nicest possible sense) in the back row because of their lack of physical presence; they are playing three six-footers who are essentially flankers and their programme coyly noted that Mike Teague, the international back-row forward, hoped to be back soon.

But they are now bracketed with Leicester in third place, each with three league wins out of three; moreover, they are doing so by virtue of their try-scoring because, with the best will in the world, Marment is not the most consistent of goal-kickers. I daresay Gloucester would not mind having Hodgkinson, Nottingham's captain, in their ranks because his kicking remains excellent: three penalties out of four attempts and the miss was from his own half.

That, though, was the nearest Nottingham came to scoring, save for one moment when Bell was halted by Maclean's fine tackle. They had difficulties at scrum (where they lost four strikes against the head to one) and lineout; Calverley, their new scrum half, was finding his way barred and Gloucester happily impeded the hooker's slap which tells the scrum half when to feed the ball.

Moore is operating at well below peak efficiency because of a chest infection which he must sort out before the divisional championship and, to add to their problems, Byrom was clearly shaken in a heavy tackle in the first quarter. That he stayed on the field speaks volumes for his courage but whenever Nottingham tried to bring him into the line his timing was suspect.

It will be interesting to see how Gloucester's lineout fares against Waterloo's giants next Saturday. They organize themselves well to get Brain high into the air and Scrivens packed up a lot at the front. Behind the forwards Hannaford is revelling in the captaincy; he is strong in the tackle, kicks sensibly and sparingly and has a willing ally in Hamlin, who has an eye for space, if not all the speed required to exploit it.

It was Hamlin who set up a remarkable try to give Gloucester their 10-6 half-time lead. His long pass had already put Marment into space and given Breeze (on the wrong wing because Morgan was temporarily off the field for repairs) the opening try. Six minutes later he ran back to collect a loose ball hacked through by Nottingham some 40 metres out, eluded the first two tacklers and suddenly found acres of space between him and the line. Chance being a fine thing, he steamed through to send a grateful Morgan in at the corner.

Hodgkinson started and finished the half with a penalty and closed the gap to 10-9 just after the interval. But clearly Nottingham, for all Cook's efforts (and he has been their most consistent forward this season, both in the tight and loose), were living on borrowed time. Marment pushed one penalty wide but made no mistake with a second before Bennett scored from a five-metre scrum and wheel, much to the approval of the Kingsholm faithful who enjoy that sort of thing.

SCORERS: Gloucester: Tries: Breeze, Morgan, Bennett. Conversion: Marment. Penalty goal: Marment. Nottingham: Penalty goals: Hodgkinson (3).

GLOUCESTER: N Marment; D Morgan, R Mogg, R Maclean, J Breeze; M Hamlin (rep: L Gardner), M Hannaford; M Preedy, K Dunn, R Pascall, D Spencer, N Scrivens, J Brain, I Smith, J Bennett.

NOTTINGHAM: R Byrom; C Jones, M Northard, G Hartley, D Bell; S Hodgkinson, M Calverley; M Freer, B Moore, G Mosses, G Koral, C Gray, D Kaye, G Rees, P Cook.

Referee: F Howard (Liverpool).

Cut up: Calverley is the meatball in the Gloucester sandwich (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

Maidenhead draw on Elward for their inspiration

By Gordon Allan

Maidenhead 13
Old Alleynians 3

Mike Elward, who played for London Welsh two or three seasons ago, was the inspiration of the Maidenhead team at Braywick on Saturday. He scored all their points in the defeat of Old Alleynians by a try and three penalty goals to a penalty, putting them in the last 32 of the John Player Special Cup for the first time.

Elward began the match at full back but moved up to stand-off half soon after half time when Course pulled a hamstring. Sillince, the replacement, went to full back. The switch worked like a charm. Elward could hardly have played better at pivot, kicking cleverly and being on hand to score a try just when this observer at least had more or less ruled out the possibility of seeing one.

What is more, it happened in the minute or so between Course's departure and Sillince's arrival, while Maidenhead were down to 14 men. An Alleynian attack was stopped in midfield and Crosland sped away on the right wing. On the point of being crowded out, he tossed the ball inside to Elward, who ran round near the posts for the try.

Rogers, the Maidenhead scrum half, lost the ball over the line soon afterwards. Then their left wing, Steve Bough, son of Frank of television fame, intercepted but could not go clear. Had either scored, Maidenhead would have been safe. As it was, at 10-3, Alleynians were in with a theoretical chance until the last few minutes, when Elward kicked his third penalty.

Theoretical is the word. The Maidenhead forwards were stronger in most departments, notably in their driving. Behind the scrum, Alleynians, despite Llewellyn's promptings, lacked cohesion and their handling was uncertain.

It was a lovely autumnal afternoon and Maidenhead organised the occasion well. What they hanker after now is a juicy home draw in the third round of the cup on January 23.

SCORERS: Maidenhead: Try: Elward. Penalties: Elward (3). Old Alleynians: Penalty: Llewellyn.

MAIDENHEAD: M Elward; N Crosland, P Wilson, L Broome, S Bough; D Course (rep: C Sillince), G Rogers; A Greene, M Gale, A Comerford, M Price, S Coleman, R Wells, C Hyndman, R Christian.

OLD ALLEYNIANS: P Ashworth; T Rayner, R McKnight, H Downer, M Bird; D Llewellyn, P Hulston; E Doleman, J Macpherson, A Frankford, K Morgan, S Newth, G Tidmarsh, N Fenner, S Pillay.

Referee: G Seddon (Manchester).

Buzzard can still rejoice in defeat

By Bryan Stiles

Leighton Buzzard 6
Bedford 24

Most of us, I am sure, regard *Buteo Vulgaris* as a resourceful creature, capable of giving a good account of himself in battle even when the odds are stacked heavily against him; a fighter who is ready to counter superior skills with a fierce determination not to succumb.

So, perhaps, it should not have been too fanciful to suppose that the two adult specimens, more commonly known as buzzards, who were perched high in the Leighton Buzzard clubhouse on Saturday evening, would probably have approved the manner in which the locals had acquitted themselves on the sloping field of battle outside.

From their high glass case vantage points they appeared to greet the unusually large rejoicing throng with baleful stares daring anyone to suggest the Buzzards could have done more to try and win this John Player Special Cup second round match.

And, yes, there was rejoicing. The records will show that Bedford may have scored four times as many points as the Buzzards, winning by one goal and six penalties to two penalties, but the Buzzards prevented the visitors from crossing their line until the dying seconds, no mean feat for a team who operates five divisions below their opponents in the new Courage Clubs Championship.

There was rejoicing, too, from the club treasurer, who saw double-size gate receipts and bar takings ease his running-cost problems. The match also brought an added excitement that usually happens in a cup-tie where there is a chance the local underdogs can upset the fancydan visitors from the county town.

That chance seemed to evaporate before the Buzzards even kicked off. The Bedford forwards appeared to tower above them as they trotted on to the pitch and they quickly showed they were superior in technique and basic skills.

Most of the activity took place in the Buzzard half of the arena, with Bedford's captain, Orwin, recently an England lock, controlling matters in the lineout and maul, with Davidson and Wood.

Even with a constant flow of possession Bedford could not cross the Buzzards' line until shortly before the final whistle when Binnington charged over from a maul. They appeared inhibited by Buzzards' resolute tackling or, as Orwin later put it: "We were head and shoulders above them in skill but we allowed them to drag us down to their level."

That might not have given enough credit to Buzzards' spirit and determination but it underlines the difficulties of facing teams from a lower strata in lucrative cup competition. For the most part Bedford relied on the scoring opportunities presented by the abundance of penalties awarded because of over-eagerness in ruck and maul.

They were on to a good thing as, with most of the play — and therefore the infringements — occuring in the home team's half Finnie, was able to collect 18 penalty points and his opposite number, Surguy only six.

SCORERS: Leighton Buzzard: Penalty goals: Surguy (2). Bedford: Try: Binnington. Penalty goals: Finnie (6).

LEIGHTON BUZZARD: S Renshaw; B Dunn, I Connew, A Micans, P Eddy; J Surguy, J Goodier; C Pearson, B Irvine, G Jarman, R Keating, P Whong, N Levakouskis (rep: P Eaves), D Burch (rep: P Burton).

BEDFORD: A Finnie; S Betty, C Glanvill, P Elkin, J Chandler; P McCarthy, B Gabriel; B White, M Howe, R Porter, J Keates, J Orwin, J Davidson, S Binnington, G Wood.

Referee: B Abrahams (Northampton, rep. C Harrison, Stockwood Park).

TENNIS

Edberg is nearer to No. 1 in world

From Richard Evans, Tokyo

Stefan Edberg had not defeated Ivan Lendl since the semi-final of the Seiko Classic here last year. But the Swede's superb victory yesterday, fighting back from the loss of a tie-break to win the title by 6-7, 6-4, 6-4, was an achievement of far greater merit.

The calibre of tennis produced by both men for a 12,000 capacity crowd was stunning and although Edberg's coach, Tony Pickard, has been stressing the importance of consistency, it was three flashes of sheer brilliance that enabled Edberg to turn the match.

A sweeping backhand pass on the run clinched the crucial break in the second set and, when Edberg was in trouble at 4-3, 0-30 in the third, Lendl was again stopped dead in his tracks, first by a great return off a deep lob and then by three successive reflex volleys played at a speed which defied the eye.

Lendl was furious with Gerry Armstrong, the British umpire, for overruling a call in Edberg's favour on break point in the first game of the third set but he could not blame that for his defeat. Edberg's relentless attack on the net behind flowing approach shots proved the decisive factor in giving the Swede his sixth Nabisco Grand Prix title of the year — one more than Mats Wilander — and lifting him a point or two closer to Lendl at the top of the ATP computer rankings.

When asked if he felt like the No. 1 player in the world, Edberg smiled and said: "For this week, maybe." But as soon as he can start producing performances like this at the US Open and Wimbledon — where he lost to Lendl this year despite the advantage grass offers his game — the top place will be within his reach.

MEN'S SINGLES: Semi-finals: S Edberg (Swe) bt S Zivojinovic (Yug), 7-6, 4-6, 6-2; I Lendl (Cz) bt M Pernfors (Swe), 6-0, 6-2. Final: S Edberg bt I Lendl, 6-7, 6-4, 6-4.
MEN'S DOUBLES: Final: B Dyke (Aus) and T Nijssen (Neth) bt S Giammalva jnr and J Grabb (US), 6-3, 6-2.

ATHLETICS

Successful pursuit of lost cause

By a Special Correspondent

With the race comprising onlyfour stages of 3,000 metres, success in the English Cross Country Union relay relied a great deal on being in contention throughout. But at Crystal Palace on Saturday, Shaftesbury Barnet proved there is no such thing as a lost cause.

Their lead-off man, Kingston Mills, the Irish marathon runner, was left struggling for speed in second-to-last place at the end of the first parkland stage, as runners from Blackheath, Birchfield and Stretford set a fierce pace.

But on stage two, Julian Goater, winner of the individual national title six years ago, hauled his team back into contention, setting up a position for John Sherban (8min 12sec) and Mike Williams (8min 09sec) to exploit with the two fastest stages of the day, giving their club victory ahead of Birchfield and Stretford.

There was obvious disappointment for the organizers, though, who despite offering prize money for the first time in its 103-year history, still saw only nine clubs contesting the senior championship.

It was a disappointment matched by the youth team from Wirral AC, who saw a potentially race-winning lead disappear on the third stage due to poor course marking, as they were eventually narrowly beaten by the Chester-le-Street team.

RESULTS: Seniors (4 x 3,000m): 1, Shaftesbury Barnet, 33min 16sec; 2, Birchfield, 33:31; 3, Stretford 33:38. Fastest individual: M Williams (Shaftesbury Barnet) 8:09. Juniors: 1, Aldershot, Farnham and District, 34:30; 2, Stretford, 34:49; 3, GEC Avionics 35:09. Fastest individual: C Payne (Aldershot) 8:25. Youths: 1, Chester-le-Street, 35:57; 2, Wirral 36:00; 3, Portsmouth 36:39. Fastest individual: G Harris (Chester-le-Street) 8:47.

Calder to fore in fightback

By Ian McLanchlan

Stewart's Melville FP 25
Boroughmuir 16

In a hard but exciting match Stewart's-Melville FP staged a remarkable second half comeback to beat Boroughmuir. This result, and Ayr's defeat at Mansfield Park, leaves Hawick and Kelso as the only undefeated teams in the McEwan's national league first division.

Boroughmuir, with a breeze at their backs, opened the scoring in three minutes with a MacGregor penalty.

After 22 minutes a loose clearance kick was fielded by Debusk, who made ground before linking with MacGregor to put Edwards in for a try which MacGregor converted. Five minutes later the visitors added another. A short penalty move involving Wilson enabled MacGregor and Douglas to provide enough space for Fisken to score and take his team into the 13-point lead. With five minutes of the half remaining Brown cut the leeway with a well struck penalty.

Immediately after half time, Stewart's-Melville pulled their team effort together with devastating effect and attacked Boroughmuir from the outset. Simon Scott split the visitors' defence and covered 40 metres before being brought down. From the resultant scrum, however, Calder picked up to dodge his way over for a try converted by Brown.

Ten minutes later, Stewart's-Melville took the lead when Simon Scott intercepted a Boroughmuir pass inside his own 22 and initiated a handling move which saw Little score at the other end. Brown converted and kicked a huge penalty to take his side into an 18-13 lead.

The visitors rallied briefly but seemed incapable of changing their pattern of play. Stewart's-Melville went further ahead when Calder again drove off the back of the scrum to link through Julian Scott, Brown and Stence to put Wallace in for an unconverted try in the corner. MacGregor kicked a penalty for Boroughmuir before Brown dropped a neat goal to seal the result for Stewart's-Melville.

SCORERS: Stewart's-Melville FP: Tries: F Calder, Little, Wallace. Penalties: Brown (2). Conversions: Brown (2). Dropped goal: Brown. Boroughmuir: Tries: Edwards, Fisken. Penalties: MacGregor (2). Conversion: MacGregor.

STEWART'S-MELVILLE FP: C Spence; K Wallace, S Scott, M Adams, M Little; G Brown, J Scott; D Brewster, P Stewart, G Linn, P Robertson, E Simpson, J Calder (captain), F Calder, A Manson.

BOROUGHMUIR: S Douglas, M Fisken (captain), B Edwards, D McLaughlin, M Debusk, C MacGregor, M Rail, D Cockburn, B Brown, N Rowan, J Price, W Darling, G Drummond, K Wilson, G Hepburn.

Referee: K McCartney.

Pontypool in all its autumnal glory

By Gerald Davies

Pontypool 47
Llanelli 13

There may yet be life in this grey and already careworn season. There may not be much but what life there is, I fancy, will not be a million miles away from wherever Pontypool perform. Having seen them demolish Cardiff in the mud and, in a different set of conditions on Saturday, take Llanelli to the cleaners, they have given ample reward to at least one observer this dismal season.

Bobby Windsor, the former Welsh hooker, is now the coach. But since he was late arriving it was left to his mentor, Ray Prosser, to deliver the enigmatic quote which is so familiar hereabouts.

As he was going around the corner he looked back over his shoulder and with a wide grin and eyes popping he hammed it up in the best Robert Newton manner: "Aha" — though with no reference to "Jim Lad" — "today we have the blugeon and the rapier," with the obvious coupling of Llanelli with the sharper of the two. But with Orrell, the Pontypool centre, scoring four tries, it did raise the question by the end as to which instrument eluded which club.

The park disported itself in all its autumnal finery, the leaves in their mature colour, the sun shone and the home side played fittingly to the blessed game. Admittedly, Llanelli are out of sorts, waiting for injuries to heal and in need of a guiding light but, even so, Pontypool did things at speed and with such support coming from deep position they overwhelmed the visitors by five goals, two tries, two penalties and a drop goal to a goal, a try and a penalty. It was a good game they played. I liked it and wished for more.

The first two tries were typical of the way they played. From a lineout the ball went from Bishop to Ring, who held it, delayed the pass, then gave it to Rees, who tore through the Llanelli defence. Huish supported without delay, so did the others, and on went Goodey to pass to Orrell, who scored.

The second arose from a short penalty near the post when Bishop's pass went to Johnson, then to Price who, still in impressive form, sprinted to the line, was tackled and a slick pass from him enabled Huish to get the try. It was as clinical as that.

It was the speed and efficiency with which both were executed and the collective effort behind them that were impressive. Behind the forwards the two irrepressible half-backs, Bishop and Ring, did things their way. Three more tries — two from Orrell, one from Ring — was scored in the first half, with Ring converting four and adding a penalty. A penalty by Harris made it 31-3 at the interval.

There was some sterling work from May and Lewis in the second half which denied the home team from having it all their own way. But it was Pontypool's wonderful day.

SCORERS: Pontypool: Tries: K Orrell (4), C Huish, M Ring. Conversions: M Ring (4), D Bishop. Penalty goals: M Ring (2). Dropped goals: M Ring. Llanelli: Tries: P May, N Davies. Conversion: N Harris. Penalty goal: N Harris.

PONTYPOOL: P Rees (rep: S Smith); S Watkins, K Orrell, C Spowart, S Hanson; M Ring (rep: A Carter), D Bishop; M Crowley, P Johnson, G Price, C Huish, H Oreton, R Goodey, M Brown, F Jacas.

LLANELLI: N Harris; A Organ, N Davies, S Davies, C Davies, S Bowling, P Maguire; R Evans, E James, P Francis, M Perego, P May, R Cornelius (rep: E Lewis), D Pickering, G Jones.

Referee: W Jones (Ammanford).

All Blacks net 12 tries in rout of Japan

Japan 0
New Zealand 74

Osaka (AFP) — New Zealand gave Japan a lesson with 12 tries here yesterday, winning the first match between the two countries by 10 goals, two penalty goals and two tries.

The All Blacks, fielding six players who powered New Zealand to victory in the World Cup in June, played (as their coach, John Hart, put it) a frustrating game in the first half against Japan's defensive approach. They led only 20-0 at the interval. New Zealand came to life in the second half, scoring nine tries, all converted by full back, John Gallagher, who finished the match with 30 points, while the Japanese, who could not win a match in the World Cup, faded badly.

The All Blacks' right wing, John Kirwan, who played despite a left thigh strain, opened the scoring in the second minute with a try from a flowing backline move. He topped off the All Black onslaught in the final minute.

Botica and Wayne Shelford, the captain and No. 8, also ran in two tries each. The All Blacks, who demolished Japan B 94-0 in Tokyo last week, will face an Asian selection, dubbed the Barbarians, in Kyoto on Wednesday.

SCORERS: New Zealand: Tries: J Kirwan (2), M Brewer, J Schuster, J Gallagher, B Deans, G Whetton, F Botica (2), T Wright, W Shelford (2). Penalty goals: Gallagher (2). Conversions: Gallagher (10).

NEW ZEALAND: J Gallagher; J Kirwan, B McCahill, T Wright, J Schuster; F Botica, B Deans; R Loe, S Fitzpatrick, S McDowell, G Whetton, B Anderson, Z Brooke, M Brewer, W Shelford (captain).

JAPAN: S Mukai; T Yoshino, E Kutsuki, S Hirao, M Okidoi; K Matsuo, H Ikuta; M Aizawa, T Fujita, H Yasumi, T Hayashi (captain), Y Sakuraba, S Latu, M Koshiyama, A Oyagi.

Wakefield play that was credit to its cast

By Michael Stevenson

Wakefield 24
Fylde 21

Every other season, if you are lucky, a match of such flawless drama, competitiveness and good sportsmanship is played that you are proud and privileged to be present. Such a contest was Wakefield's John Player tie with Fylde at College Grove on Saturday.

Wakefield's winning margin of three goals and two penalties to three goals and a penalty was just deserved, if for only one reason. Its pack was moving swiftly backwards for the whole of the first half but managed to achieve parity in the second.

The game was also notable for the return after injury of Mike Harrison, the England captain. He enjoyed a great first half in attack and defence but is not yet fully fit. His first touch of the ball symbolized the match. Catching a high kick deep in his own 22, he feinted to kick, then sniped off on one of his darting, weaving runs that gained as much ground as the kick would have done.

Watched by John Burgess, the RFU president, Dennis Shuttleworth, the former president, and Ted Wood, the new coach for the North, Wakefield led when a crisp break by Harris put Yemm in for Adamson to convert. Immediately Fylde struck back when Burnage made and converted a try for Preston. Burnage and Adamson exchanged penalties: 9-9 at half-time.

One Fylde juggernaut, Dooley, was playing but the other, Bainbridge, was not and his replacement, McKinley, scored for Fylde on the resumption, from Greenhalgh's thrusting run. Burnage converted but the game was swinging Wakefield's way.

Two tries, by Scully from the excellent Barley's creation and by Adamson, made by Harrison, were converted by Adamson and Fylde seemed to be sinking fast. But still the drama unfolded. Gough made a try for Hanavan: Burnage converted (21-21) but Hanavan was penalized for not releasing and Adamson's ice-cool penalty put Wakefield into the third-round draw.

SCORES: WAKEFIELD: Tries: Yemm, Scully, Adamson. Conversions: Adamson (3). Penalty goals: Adamson (2). Fylde: Tries: Preston, McKinley, Hanavan. Conversions: Burnage (3) Penalty goal: Burnage

WAKEFIELD: R Adamson; M Harrison, B Barley, C Harris, S Cowling; S Townend, D Scully; R Latham, S Cruse, C Yemm, I Hill, P Wood, D Baldwin, A Clarke, M Rawnsley

FYLDE: S Gough; B Hanavan, I Greenhalgh, M Fielden, M Preston; S Burnage, M Weir; R Moffat, M Dixon, P Faulkner, M Hesketh, W Dooley, D McKinley, S Holmes, A McFarlane

Referee: J Coulton (Northumberland)

BOWLS

Early exit for a trio of past winners

Three past winners, Bristol, Cambridge Park (Twickenham), and Worthing, were beaten in the second round of the McCarthy and Stone national indoor club championship on Saturday (Gordon Allan writes).

The telephone lines between Clevedon and Bristol buzzed continually as the match between the two clubs went into an extra end after a measure on the 21st had left the overall scores tied at 79-79. Clevedon won the extra end by six shots to four, and the match 85-83, with John Freeman's Clevedon rink playing at home, striking the decisive blow by scoring four at the expense of Ted Vowles.

David Bryant may be unavailable for Clevedon for the third round on November 7, and Cotswold, Clevedon's opponents, could be without Tony Allcock. Both are playing in the United Kingdom singles championship at Preston that week.

Egham beat Cambridge Park 75-70 and Worthing Pavilion beat Worthing 85-80. Cyphers run up another cricket score — 148-40 against Deptford — and Paddington, the holders, advanced with a 92-70 win over Elmbridge In East Anglia, Browston Hall (Great Yarmouth), founded only four years ago, beat Norfolk and Norwich 79-67.

DETAILS FROM THE WEEKEND MATCHES

COURAGE CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP

First division

Bristol	37	Sale	3

Bristol: Tries: Webb, Knibbs, Duggan, Hogg, Harding, Hone. Cons: Webb (5). Pen: Webb. Sale: Dropped goal: Rafferty.

Gloucester	17	Nottingham	9

Gloucester: Tries: Breeze, Morgan, Bennett. Con: Marment. Pen: Marment. Nottingham: Pens: Hodgkinson (3).

Moseley	25	Coventry	3

Moseley: Tries: Allen (2), Goodwin (2). Cons: Goodwin (2). Pens: Goodwin (2). Coventry: Dropped goal: Rowan.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Nottingham	7	4	1	2	113	81	20
Moseley	5	3	0	2	85	83	14
Gloucester	3	3	0	0	77	28	12
Leicester	3	3	0	0	68	38	12
Bath	4	2	0	2	57	58	10
Bristol	4	1	1	2	74	51	8
Coventry	5	1	0	4	61	136	8
Waterloo	1	1	0	0	10	9	4
Sale	4	0	0	4	37	97	4
Orrell	2	0	1	1	22	40	3
Wasps	1	0	1	0	12	12	2
Harlequins	1	0	0	1	9	12	1

Second division

Headingley	12	Rosslyn Pk	12

Headingley: Pens: Appleson (4). Rosslyn Park: Try: Price. Con: Graves. Pens: Graves (2).

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Rosslyn Park	4	3	1	0	57	38	14
Headingley	4	2	1	1	63	37	11
L Scottish	4	2	0	2	80	49	10
Saracens	3	2	0	1	46	35	9
Lpool St Helens	2	2	0	0	29	10	8
Richmond	2	2	0	0	42	25	8
Bedford	3	1	2	0	24	18	8
L Welsh	4	1	1	2	66	55	8
L Irish	3	0	1	2	21	53	4
Gosforth	3	0	0	3	20	55	3
Blackheath	2	0	0	2	9	24	2
Northampton	2	0	0	2	6	68	2

Third division

Sheffield	13	Met Police	6

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sheffield	5	3	0	2	53	69	14
Fylde	4	3	0	1	121	47	13
Plymouth	3	3	0	0	105	22	12
Vale of Lune	3	3	0	0	85	32	12
Met Police	4	2	0	2	49	46	10
W Hartlepool	2	2	0	0	48	13	8
Wakefield	2	1	0	1	39	25	5
Maidstone	3	0	0	3	28	53	3
Birmingham	3	0	0	3	21	110	3
Moseley	2	0	0	2	15	61	2
Exeter	2	0	0	2	16	75	2
Nuneaton	1	0	0	1	7	12	1

TOUR MATCHES

Ebbw Vale	16	US Eagles	14
Japan	0	New Zealand	74
		(at Osaka)	
Invitation XV	15	Australia	36
		(at Buenos Aires)	

JOHN PLAYER SPECIAL CUP

Second Round

Berry Hill	35	Lewis	9
Dixonians	3	Aspatria	53
Gordon League	18	Oxford	16
Leighton Buzzd	6	Bedford	24
Lichfield	31	Widnes	3
L Irish	13	Ealing	10
Maidenhead	13	O Alleynians	3
Redruth	9	Blackheath	13
	(aet)		
Tynedale	11	L Scottish	9
Wakefield	24	Fylde	21

CLUB MATCHES

Bridgend	12	Aberavon	9
Broughton Park	12	Orrell	12
Cambridge Univ	28	Richmond	17
Harlequins	12	Cardiff	20
Leicester	9	Swansea	17
Lpool St H	24	Halifax	11
L Welsh	9	Neath	33
Lydney	4	Cross Keys	20
Morley	22	Preston Grhprs	9
Newbridge	7	Maesteg	13
Newport	7	Bath	24
Northampton	22	Oxford Univ	19
Penarth	22	Stroud	25
Pontypool	47	Llanelli	13
Pontypridd	22	Abertillery	9
Saracens	9	Waterloo	10
S Glam Inst	3	Glamorgan W	28
S Wales Police	48	Plymouth	25
Vale of Lune	35	Hartlepool R	9

McEWANS SCOTTISH LEAGUE

First division

Glasgow Acads	12	Heriot's FP	11
Hawick	21	Ayr	7
Melrose	27	Edinburgh A	9
Selkirk	13	Kelso	21
Stewart's Mel FP	25	Boroughmuir	16
Watsonians	15	Kilmarnock	12
Musselburgh	12	W of Scotland	8

LONDON AND SOUTH EAST: Club matches: Aldermaston 7, Southampton 20; Antlers 8, Windsor 0; Aylesbury 26, Hertford 8; Bec Old Boys 19, Old Surbitonians 3; Bedford Rovers 13, Hitchin 22; Betteshanger 37, Old Shootershillians 13; Bracknell 4, Eastleigh 16; Brentwood 7, Dartfordians 14; Brighton 3, East Grinstead 6; Buckingham 3, Coventry Saracens 6; Chinnor 9, Bletchley 19; Cranleigh 32, Chipstead 6; Datchworth 26, STC 4; Dorking 22, Chichester 11; Drifters 19, Staines II 6; Effingham 21, Bank of England 3, Eton Manor 26, Worthing 15; Farnham 22; Reigate 10, Folkestone 25, Old Gravesendians 12; Grasshoppers 16, Abbey 4; HAC 0, Beckenham 11; Harlow 32, East London 0; Heathfield 10, Old Williamsonians 11, Hendon 10, Chingford 10; John Fisher Old Boys 0, Old Caterhamians 3; Leamington 18, High Wycombe 10; Lensbury 44, Old Readonians 4; Lloyds Bank 10, Barclays Bank 13; London Cornish 7, CAV 7; LFB 16, St George's Hospital 12; London NZ 17, Hampstead 12; Maidstone 27 Gravesend 0; Medway 4, Warlingham 6, Metropolitan Police No 3 District 4, Hackney 23; Old Abbotstonians 36, Kingston 6; Old Colfeians 14, Old Brocklians 16; Old Elizabethans, Barnet 17, [illegible] 4; Old Guildfordians 54, Surrey University 3; Old Kingsburians 16, Chiltern 9; OMT Lambs 21, Olney 0; Old Tiffinians 13, Old Gaytonians 22; Old Westcliffians 25, Campion 10; Old Verulamians 25, Cheshunt 29;

MIDLANDS: Club matches: Aylestone St James 6, Vipers 20; Birmingham City Officials 27, GKN 0; Boston 55, Gainsborough 0; Bromsgrove 24, Malvern 6; Burton 26, Kenilworth 7; Coalville 38, Oadby Wyggestonians 6; Daventry 9, Long Buckby 32; Kidderminster Carolians 28, Five Ways OE 12; Leamington 18, High Wycombe 10; Lutterworth 11, GEC Coventry 4; Moderns 32, Loughborough 0; Newbold 18, Leigh 17; Newcastle 20, Veseyans 10; Northampton Men's Own 16, Belgrave 8; Nuneaton OE 12; Old Wheatleyans 9; Old Halesonians 30, Telford 6; Old Longtonians 40, Bridgnorth 10; Old Newtonians 22, West Bridgford 4; Old Saltleians 9, Old Northamptonians 16; Old Yardleians 16, Centrals 8; Redditch 12, Harbury 12; Stafford 12, Bridgwater and Albion 14; Stoke Old Boys 15; Newton-le-Willows 3; Stoke on Trent 9, Solihull 12; Stoneygate 19, Nottingham Corsairs 41; Stourbridge 25, Clifton 9; Sutton Coldfield 6, Winnington Park 40; Tamworth 23; Mellish 0; Trinity Guild 47, Harbury 16; Whitchurch 7; Handsworth 4; Wigston 14, Old Coventrians 7; Willenhall 7, Kings Norton 4; Wolverhampton 13, Wrexham 21.

NORTH: Club matches: Beverley 16, Malton and Norton 6; Chester 0, Sandbach 19; Cleckheaton 13, Sedgley Park 15; Davenport 9, West Park 28; Furness 7, Wigan 18; Heath 22, Skipton 13; Leodiensians 4, Wetherby 12; Littleborough 6, Old Crossleyans 15; Lymm 18, De La Salle 10; Manchester 23, Heaton Moor 9; Mid Cheshire College 6, Birkenhead Park 18; Moortown 12, Bradford Salem 9; Northallerton 3, Driffield 24; Oldham 15, Warrington 3; Old Modernians 22, Ilkley 4; Otley 86, Birmingham 8; Pocklington 10, Goole 14; Pontefract 21, Bramley 8; Ripon 3, Ackiam 3; Rochdale 24, Workington 16; Rotherham 42, Old Hymerians 3; Sandal 26, Morpeth 9; Selby 33, Grimsby 0; Sheffield Tigers 4, Kersal 10; Thornensians 22, Castleford 3; West Park Bramhope 32, Ionians 11; Wharfedale 41, Sunderland 0; York 7, Old Brodleians 0.

SOUTH-WEST: Club matches: Hayle 19, Truro 18; Launceston 15, Exeter 6; Newquay Hornets 21, Plymouth Extras 18; Okehampton 13, Falmouth 15; Penryn 18, Sidmouth 3; St Ives 25, Barnstaple 0; Taunton 18, Penzance-Newlyn 9; Tiverton 3, Brixham 17, Torquay 8, Cheltenham 6; United Services Portsmouth 17, Devonport Services 27.

IRISH INTER-PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP: Leinster 20, Connacht 19; Ulster 10, Munster 10. Under-20 Championship: Leinster 13, Connacht 10; Ulster 9, Munster 15.

ULSTER: Club matches: Academy 18, Highfield 0; Malone 20, CIYMS 7; Grosvenor 15, Dungannon 31, Bangor 20, Ards 18; Ballymena 38, Trinity 9; Old Belvedere 3, Queen's University 7

FOOTBALL: MERSEYSIDERS BRUSH ASIDE FEARS OF ARTIFICIAL PITCHES AND SUGGEST THEIR SUPERIORITY IS BECOMING EVEN MORE OVERWHELMING

Liverpool challenge is given more spice by Houghton

By Stuart Jones
Football Correspondent

Luton Town 0
Liverpool 1

Most of the Manchester United side were there to see the dawning light of their manager's prediction. Granted the afternoon off, they took their places in the stands at Kenilworth Road, a plastic graveyard where the spirit and apparent omnipotence of Liverpool traditionally dies and is buried in a year.

Alex Ferguson's claim that Liverpool will "come back to the pack and be caught by three or four of us" was timed for the occasion that provokes most apprehension in the mind of Kenny Dalglish. Last season's FA Cup defeat in particular had exacerbated his already substantial dislike of the surface.

Liverpool's manager is not alone in his view. *Aficionados* of blow football might have enjoyed the first half of Saturday's fixture but others, watching an uncontrolled mess in which the lone consistent feature was the referee's whistle, might have considered it as no more than a crushing bore.

The followers of Luton Town and the witnesses from United, though they would justifiably have been disappointed by the profoundly poor quality, were not discouraged. For almost the first time this season Liverpool looked less than ordinary, less than comfortable and more than likely to be beaten.

But the grounds for Liverpool's fallibility were to be as artificial as the pitch itself. If anything, there is now a case for suggesting that their superiority is potentially even more overwhelming. The arrival of the talented Houghton, bought last week and brought in immediately for Johnston, has reinforced their formidable power.

Houghton, with only the experience of a testimonial match behind him, was as insignificant as everybody else before the interval. After it, as the game and Liverpool in particular improved out of all recognition, he was an inspiration. Dalglish, publicly as reserved as usual, was merely "quite happy" with his new acquisition.

Sealey, the last line of Luton's defence, did divert the damage that might have been caused by McMahon, Beardsley (twice) and especially Houghton before Gillespie, a higher flying object, arrived unnoticed to claim the winner from Barnes's corner. McMahon later beat him again and shook the foundations of a post.

Mick Harford's response was twofold (he opened by chipping against a post and closed by nodding against the bar) but his other contribution was more costly. In failing to accompany Gillespie, he confessed that he was "guilty" of helping Liverpool to maintain their leadership of the first division.

Doubts that they will stay there have all but receded already. McMahon, for instance, states that "they couldn't live with us once we started to play" and "this is the best squad in my experience at Anfield." Dalglish seemed initially to be offering an even more expensive comment. After agreeing that his representatives were indeed the "strongest," he paused before adding "so far this season."

LUTON TOWN: L Sealey; T Breacker, A Grimes, D McDonough, S Foster, M Donaghy, D Wilson, B Stein, M Harford, I Allinson, M Weir.

LIVERPOOL: B Grobbelaar; G Gillespie, B Venison, S Nicol, R Whelan, A Hansen, P Beardsley, J Aldridge, R Houghton, J Barnes, S McMahon.

Referee: A Seville.

Watford unable to cross great divide

By Ian Ross

Everton 2
Watford 0

These sides of quite contrasting merit became embroiled in a match on Saturday, which, if one were inclined to err on the side of generosity, could be labelled as wholly disappointing.

It was impossible to envisage anything other than an Everton victory because in terms of application and ability the two clubs are separated by a great deal more than 200 miles of motorway.

Watford, despite their willingness to pursue lost causes with positive venom, are not a particularly good side and will undoubtedly struggle to retain their first division status unless their new manager, Dave Bassett, can quickly convince players of limited ability that discipline and composure are as important as basic skill.

Few were surprised when Bassett emerged to declare himself *"generally satisfied"* and "encouraged." His Everton counterpart, Colin Harvey, obviously has far more reason to be happy. His side are still waging war against inconsistency and still succeeding in accruing both points and victories in a manner which, while inauspicious, does augur well for the future.

Everton have such strength in depth and such reserves of self belief that they can, and will, get better. At the moment they are more than content, knowing that it is not always the best team which wins the championship.

They laid the foundations in the ninth minute when a Wilson free kick was knocked on first by Watson and then by Sharp before Heath arrived to drive home a shot which took a slight deflection off a Watford defender before entering the net. The long overdue second goal came in the 65th minute when Sharp, standing in splendid isolation six yards from goal, headed home a Stevens cross.

EVERTON: N Southall; G Stevens, N Pointon, K Ratcliffe, D Watson, P Reid, T Steven, A Heath, G Sharp, I Snodin, I Wilson.

WATFORD: A Coton; N Gibbs, W Rostron, K Jackett, M Morris, J McClelland, A Agana, I Roberts (sub: G Porter), T Senior, T Sherwood, G Hodges.

Referee: J Key.

Aylesbury land treble with win over Enfield

By Paul Newman

Aylesbury United, who until two years ago had gone beyond the qualifying rounds of the FA Cup only once in their history, have reached the first round proper for the third season in succession.

The Beazer Homes League side earned a place in today's first-round draw with a 2-1 victory on Saturday away to **Enfield**, of the GM Vauxhall Conference. Francis gave Enfield the lead, but Aylesbury equalized through an own-goal by Keen. Botterill hit the winner in the closing minutes.

The day's other big surprise came at **Weymouth**, where **Yeovil Town** (Vauxhall Opel League) won 3-1 in front of a crowd of 3,522 with goals by McGinley (2) and Pearson. The Conference side, 2-0 down at half time, conceded a third goal early in the second half before replying through Turrell.

Tamworth, of the Bank's Brewery League, also knocked out Conference opposition. A crowd of 2,075 saw Maddocks and Rathbone give the Staffordshire side a 2-0 victory over **Wealdstone**. Another big attendance, 2,130, saw **Merthyr Tydfil** beat **Croydon** 3-0 with goals by Ceri Williams, Chris Williams and Webley.

Halesowen Town, watched by a crowd of 1,608, reached the first round proper for the third season in succession, Sturgess hitting the only goal of the game at home to **Bishop's Stortford**. Home sides also came out on top in two of the big local derbies, **Maidstone United** overcoming **Dartford** 2-0 with both goals by Doherty and **VS Rugby** beating **Nuneaton Borough** 3-0 through Conway, Ebrey and Graham.

Sayer was sent off shortly after scoring in **Northwich Victoria's** 3-0 win over ***Easington Colliery***, who had Gilroy dismissed. Abbott of **Welling United** and Casey of **Boston United** both received their marching orders in a 1-1 draw. **Barnet** were the day's biggest winners with their 6-0 victory at **Willenhall Town**.

Reality is hidden by a goal

By Martin Searby

Sheffield Wednesday 1
Norwich City 0

These are not happy days at Hillsborough and there seems little prospect of the situation improving in the immediate future despite the £800,000 spent on the team which still needed a gift from Norwich City to bring off only their second win of the season.

Proctor, West, Galvin and the latest recruit Pearson from Shrewsbury, will all take time to become accustomed to Wednesday's ways.

As Howard Wilkinson, the manager, said: "Our spirit, morale, whatever you want to call it, is good, but we know our lives are built on getting results. People are not performing at their best because of lack of confidence."

That problem is becoming increasingly familiar to Ken Brown, the Norwich manager, whose side has also slipped into deep water after ending last season in fifth place. He, however, can take heart in his belief that the team is re-discovering a semblance of form although he must earnestly hope that they do not give away goals like the one which came in the twelfth minute.

Biggins followed Pearson into the penalty area for a free kick but then stood and watched as Chapman flicked it on and Pearson had an unconscionable amount of time to poke the ball over the line.

Chapman and Galvin missed first-half chances but the worst example of Wednesday's angst came when Chamberlain burst down the right and, with Chapman, West and Galvin all closing in, succeeded in hitting his cross beyond the three of them.

Bowen, playing as left back in a defensive set up that looked to require a lot more work, should have scored for Norwich when left with only Hodge to beat and Drinkell's perceptive flip towards an empty net was thwarted by Pearson's clearance off the line.

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY: M Hodge; M Sterland, N Worthington; L Madden, N Pearson, M Proctor, M Chamberlain (sub: G Fee), G Megson, L Chapman, C West (sub: C Bradshaw), A Galvin.

NORWICH CITY: B Gunn; I Culverhouse, S Elliott; S Bruce (sub: I Butterworth), M Phelan, S Ratcliffe (sub: I Crook); R Fox, K Drinkell, W Biggins, D Williams, M Bowen.

Referee: M G Peck.

Highbury knees-up: Forsyth (left), of Derby, and Smith, of Arsenal, dispute possession

Arsenal winning by habit

By Simon O'Hagan

Arsenal 2
Derby County 1

Not many teams win simply by force of habit, but Arsenal seem to be turning into one of them. This was their ninth successive victory in all competitions, but, according to their manager, George Graham, their poorest home performance of the season.

Arsenal were not particularly bad, in fact, and nor were Derby County. It was just that once all three goals had been scored in the opening 17 minutes, most of the action passed by in a haze perhaps partially induced by a beautiful autumn afternoon.

Too often Arsenal were strolling — albeit when the likes of Davis had the ball, doing so rather elegantly. But Derby have little time for that sort of thing. They may not be bursting with talent, but they are highly industrious and will always get in your way.

Unfortunately for Derby, they were 2-0 down with only nine minutes gone before these qualities began to manifest themselves. In the first minute Rocastle engineered an opening on the right and his cross, benefiting from a miscued shot by Davis, fell neatly into the path of Richardson, who drove the ball home. When Rocastle next got in a similar cross, it hit Wright on the hand, and Thomas sent the penalty wide of Shilton.

Derby just kept going, though, and within eight minutes had pulled a goal back, Cross being given time and space to find Garner at the near post where his header flashed past Lukic.

From then on it was a game with more ebb than flow. Little came from a lot of often quite attractive movement from both sides until the last few moments when Callaghan found himself with a glaring opportunity in front of goal only for Lukic and then Davis to deny him.

ARSENAL: J Lukic; M Thomas, K Sansom, S Williams, D O'Leary, A Adams, D Rocastle, P Davis, A Smith, P Groves (sub: P Merson), K Richardson.

DERBY COUNTY: P Shilton; R MacLaren, M Forsyth, G Williams, M Wright, P Blades, N Callaghan, A Garner (sub: P Gee), R Davison, J Gregory (sub: M Lewis), S Cross.

Referee: D Hutchinson.

Wallace inspires yet again

By Simon Jones

Southampton 3
Chelsea 0

Chelsea's pretensions as championship challengers were thoroughly exposed at The Dell on Saturday. Southampton scored three goals in six minutes midway through the second half with an ease which indicates that John Hollins's side have a long way to go if they are to reach the standard set by Liverpool.

Danny Wallace was again Southampton's inspiration. Having brought his side their first home win the previous week and then added another decisive goal at Coventry City in midweek, he was full of confidence. He created the first two goals after 70 and 72 minutes, for Baker and Clarke, and scored the third brilliantly from Forrest's precise cross.

Wallace is only 5ft 4in tall and to see him allowed a free header on the edge of the six-yard box, as he was for the third goal, says a great deal about Chelsea's loss of discipline. Any sort of challenge would probably have prevented him from scoring.

Another kind of indiscipline made its mark on this match and that was a series of wild and often malicious tackles. Case, predictably, and Wood were at the centre of this unseemliness. It was only the referee's readiness to book players — though the consistency of his decisions was questionable — which eventually cooled the players' tempers. Chelsea, though, still seemed to be concentrating too much on personal vendettas and not enough on getting the ball in the net. Indeed, the Southampton goalkeeper, John Burridge, did not have to make a serious save in the entire game.

Although Chelsea were missing Dixon, who has a hamstring injury, their lack of urgency, as well as their lack of penetration, was disturbing. In attack, Kevin Wilson showed some clever touches and, alongside him, Durie's pace and imagination threatened reward: but it was an empty threat.

None of Chelsea's midfield players, with the exception of Hazard in the later stages, supported the forwards with any regularity, whereas Baker and Cockerill kept returning to the opposition penalty area like homing pigeons. Their full backs, too, largely contented themselves with a policy of containment. Southampton's Statham and Forrest, on the other hand, were full of running and ideas.

They have played a substantial part in Southampton's sudden revival. The other obvious factor here, apart from the form of Wallace, is Burridge's influence on the team. Since he came into the side, Southampton have won three successive games and his manager, Chris Nicholl, was quick to praise his contribution. "He's confident, cocky, and knows what he's doing," he said. That is exactly how Southampton looked — for six minutes at least — on Saturday.

SOUTHAMPTON: J Burridge; G Forrest, D Statham, J Case, K Moore, K Bond, M Le Tissier, G Cockerill, C Clarke, G Baker, D Wallace.

CHELSEA: E Niedzwiecki; S Clarke, A Dorigo, C Pates, J McLaughlin, D Wood, P Nevin, M Hazard, K Wilson, G Durie, C Wilson.

Referee: M J Bodenham.

Pleat's last team is found to be sadly incomplete

By Clive White

Nottingham Forest 3
Tottenham Hotspur 0

It is a measure of the respect and affection in which David Pleat is held, even after callous attempts to sully his reputation, that the public at large, I bet, would have liked to see Tottenham Hotspur play the socks off Nottingham Forest on Saturday.

Unfortunately, it was not to be. Happy stories can be as hard to summon up in football as they are for the editors of some newspapers. Tottenham gave it a shot, though nothing like their best, but for the most part looked as shaken and dishevelled as Pleat did on lunchtime television on Saturday. Both displayed admirable courage and dignity, but in truth they could have done with more time to reconcile themselves to the separation.

Tottenham were certainly in no fit state to withstand opponents as vibrant as Forest are just now. That was with the sprightly exception of the 35-years-young Ardiles. Pleat, for all his intensity, is one of those rare, unobsessive managers who can draw pleasure in defeat from one cameo performance.

Ardiles, for whom the former manager always had a soft spot, would have put a smile, however fleeting, back on Pleat's face had he been present. Up on his toes in that inimitable style, as if running barefoot across a field of embers, he once more turned the clock back, making young men feel old. If only Pleat could turn the clock back, too.

Even while his own private life lay in ruins, wantonly destroyed by his fellow man, Pleat could still show compassion towards others. His parting words, conveyed by Trevor Hartley, his coach, to a team lovingly moulded in his fashion were to wish them good luck, stressing to Hartley that he pass on particular good wishes to Paul Allen, whose daughter is ill. "We tried to play football the way David Pleat liked to play."

With the exception of one player, it was the last Tottenham team selected by Pleat. Hartley decided that Hodge's calf injury could not be risked and Stevens moved unimpressively into midfield while Hughton came in at right back for his first game of the season. Despite some first-half promise and a fair share of midfield, the game slipped steadily from Tottenham's grasp after Carr's goal in the 29th minute.

Whether it was psychological or not, Tottenham had a rudderless look about them, whereas Forest, with singleminded players like Webb and Pearce, knew exactly where they were going.

Without Waddle, whose Achilles injury is more complicated than first thought, Tottenham looked even more unbalanced alongside a perfectly symmetrical Forest side. It is a pity, though, that Houghton chose the uncertainty of a Liverpool first-team future in preference to a more secure, and possibly more satisfying, one at Forest.

Fortunately for Forest, Webb makes up for almost two men in midfield as he showed when starting and finishing a fine move that left Tottenham defenders floundering. Sadly, it was Tottenham who had their socks played off, as was underlined in the 85th minute when Nigel Clough, who helped the reserves out in defence during the week, finally remembered he is first and foremost a very good forward, with a sharp opportunist goal.

NOTTINGHAM FOREST: S Sutton; S Chettle, S Pearce, D Walker, C Foster, T Wilson (sub: O Osvold), F Carr, N Webb, N Clough, P Wilkinson, B Rice.

TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR: A Parks; C Hughton (sub: J Moncur), M Thomas, V Samways (sub: S Close), C Fairclough, G Mabbutt, C Allen, P Allen, O Ardiles, G Stevens, N Claesen.

Referee: R F Nixon.

No finesse but plenty of stamina

By Nicholas Harling

Crystal Palace 2
Swindon Town 1

Manchester United would probably be appalled at the lack of finesse of the teams fashioned by their former players, but of the stamina on display on Saturday there could have been no complaints.

Indeed United will feel for themselves the indefatigable qualities of Palace on Wednesday when they receive Steve Coppell's side at Old Trafford in the Littlewoods Cup. That is assuming Palace are not exhausted by the efforts required to haul themselves back against a Swindon Town side managed by Coppell's former club colleague, Lou Macari.

Like his players, Macari left in a huff, convinced that the 84th minute penalty struck home by Gray should never have been awarded. Calderwood did seem unfortunate to get his hand in the way of a free kick by Thomas, but then, as Coppell was inevitably quick to point out, such things have a habit of evening themselves out over the season. His side had themselves been the victims of an equally dubious decision at Villa Park last Wednesday.

That such a decision should be decisive never looked possible at half-time. Swindon looked far the more worthy promotion candidates and created numerous chances. With Palace's defence "liable to be cut to ribbons by any one long ball," as Coppell put it, such as the one from King that enabled White to cancel out Bright's earlier headed goal, Palace were hanging on. But in the second half they showed themselves adept at transformation.

CRYSTAL PALACE: G Wood; K O'Doherty, M Hone, A Gray, G Nebbeling, J Cannon, N Redfearn, G Thomas, M Bright, I Wright, J Salako (sub: P Barber).

SWINDON TOWN: F Digby; D Hockaday, P King, K O'Regan, T Parkin, C Calderwood, D Bamber, S White, J Gittens, L Barnard (sub: C Henry), R Barnes.

Referee: D J Axcell.

Potential renewed at Ipswich

By David Powell

Ipswich Town 1
Sheffield United 0

The programme offered a reminder of Ipswich Town's team five years ago: Thijssen, Butcher, Wark, Mariner, Brazil, Gates *et al.* The dissemination of a squad which won the UEFA Cup and twice finished League runners-up at the turn of the decade led to a depression culminating in relegation two seasons ago. But now, after failing in the play-offs last May, Ipswich are renewing their potential.

Only D'Avray survives from that golden era, although John Duncan, the Ipswich manager, is attempting to persuade Wark to return from Liverpool. Where a team of household names once stood there is now a fresh young influence and this was their sixth successive Barclays League home win.

Duncan, who took over in the summer, has made only two additions, Harbey and Lowe, to the squad left by Bobby Ferguson, his predecessor. It was Lowe who struck the winning goal 10 seconds into injury time from a cross by Gleghorn, one of the game's two unlikely heroes.

That Ipswich were not comfortably ahead was due to inspired goalkeeping by Hansbury who, like Gleghorn, had been not much more than an afterthought on his manager's team sheet.

Hansbury, who was playing because Sheffield's first choice, Leaning, was injured, made a number of athletic saves, notably from a shot by Rimmer which he pushed against a post. But, with the final whistle beckoning, his defence let him down. Gleghorn, a late substitute and returning after a hernia operation, providing Lowe with his winner.

IPSWICH TOWN: J Hallworth; F Yallop, G Harbey, N Rimmer (sub: N Gleghorn), J Dozzell, I Cranson, D Lowe, M Brennan, M D'Avray, R Zondervan, M Stockwell.

SHEFFIELD UNITED: R Hansbury; C Wilder, M Pike, M Kuhl, P Stancliffe, A Barnsley (sub: C Marsden), C Morris, A Philliskirk, P Beagrie, M Dempsey, D Frain.

Referee: J Martin.

DETAILS FROM THE WEEKEND'S FOOTBALL MATCHES

Barclays League
First division

Arsenal	2	Derby	1
Coventry	1	Newcastle	3
Everton	2	Watford	0
Luton	0	Liverpool	1
Notts For	3	Tottenhm	0
Oxford Utd	2	Charlton	1
QPR	2	Portsmth	1
Sheff Wed	1	Norwich	0
Southamptn	3	Chelsea	0

Yesterday

WEST HAM	(0)	1	MAN UTD	(1)	1
Stewart (pen)			Gibson 19,863		

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Liverpool	10	9	1	0	29	6	28
QPR	12	9	1	2	18	10	28
Arsenal	12	8	2	2	22	7	26
Nottm For	12	8	2	2	22	9	26
Man Utd	13	6	6	1	22	13	24
Everton	13	6	4	3	21	9	22
Chelsea	13	7	1	5	22	20	22
Tottenham	13	6	2	5	16	13	20
Oxford U	12	5	2	5	17	19	17
Southampton	12	4	4	4	18	19	16
Coventry	12	5	1	6	14	19	16
Newcastle	11	3	4	4	15	18	13
Derby	12	3	4	5	9	14	13
Portsmouth	12	3	4	5	13	25	13
Wimbledon	11	3	3	5	12	15	12
West Ham	12	2	6	4	12	15	12
Luton	13	3	3	7	14	19	12
Norwich	13	3	1	9	9	18	10
Sheffield Wed	13	2	3	8	12	26	9
Watford	11	2	2	7	5	14	8
Charlton	12	1	2	9	9	23	5

FA CUP: Fourth qualifying round: Boston United 1, Welling 1; Brigg 1, Lincoln 4; Caernarfon 0, Billingham 2; Carshalton 2, Wokingham 1; Cheltenham 2, Bracknell 1; Chorley 2, Frickley 0; Colwyn Bay 2, Tow Law 1; Enfield 1, Aylesbury 2; Farnborough 4, Saltash 2; Great Yarmouth 0, Dagenham 2; Guisborough 1, Bishop Auckland 2; Halesowen 1, Bishop's Stortford 0; Hayes 2, Moor Green 0; Letchworth 0, Chelmsford 1; Leytonstone Ilford 0, Worcester 1; Macclesfield 3, Whitby 1; Maidstone 2, Dartford 0; Merthyr 3, Croydon 0; Northwich 3, Easington 0; Runcorn 2, Barrow 1; Sutton United 3, Basingstoke 0; Tamworth 2, Wealdstone 0; Thanet 0, Bognor 4; VS Rugby 3, Nuneaton 0; Leyton-Wingate 0, Atherstone 0; Weymouth 1, Yeovil 3; Willenhall 0, Barnet 6.

Second division

Birmingham	0	Middsbro	0
Blackburn	1	Plymouth	1
C Palace	2	Swindon	1
Hull	2	Leicester	2
Ipswich	1	Sheff Utd	0
Leeds	3	Bournmth	2
Man City	1	Barnsley	1
Reading	1	Bradford	1
Shrewsbry	2	Oldham	3
Stoke	0	Aston Villa	0
WBA	3	Huddrsfld	2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bradford	15	10	3	2	28	14	33
Hull	15	8	6	1	25	14	30
Middlesbrough	15	8	3	4	22	13	27
Aston Villa	16	6	7	3	21	13	25
Ipswich	15	7	4	4	17	12	25
Crystal Palace	14	7	3	4	29	21	24
Swindon	14	7	3	4	23	15	24
Millwall	14	7	3	4	22	18	24
Birmingham	15	6	5	4	17	20	23
Stoke	15	5	5	5	19	17	20
Man City	14	5	4	5	24	21	19
Barnsley	15	5	4	6	17	18	19
Leeds	16	4	7	5	14	19	19
Leicester	15	5	3	7	23	20	18
Blackburn	15	4	6	5	18	19	18
Sheffield Utd	15	5	3	7	17	20	18
Plymouth	16	4	5	7	26	28	17
WBA	16	5	2	9	20	28	17
Bournemouth	15	4	4	7	19	22	16
Oldham	14	4	4	6	13	21	16
Shrewsbury	14	2	7	5	11	16	13
Reading	14	3	4	7	15	24	13
Huddersfield	14	0	5	9	14	31	5

SUNDAY MIRROR COMBINATION: Chelsea 0, Southampton 1; Watford 4, Oxford United 0.

SMIRNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Ards 2, Portadown 0; Ballymena 1, Linfield 4; Carrick 1, Newry 1; Crusaders 1, Larne 4; Distillery 1, Cliftonville 2; Glenavon 1, Bangor 0; Glentoran 2, Coleraine 2.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Hyde 2, Bangor City 0; Goole 0, Marine 1; Morecambe 3, Horwich 2; Mossley 1, Matlock 1; Rhyl 5, Gainsborough 0; South Liverpool 0, Worksop 2; Southport 1, Gateshead 2; Workington 1, Witton 0; Buxton 3, Oswestry 3. First division: Congleton 3, Accrington Stanley 0; Curzon Ashton 0, Alfreton 1; Eastwood Hanley 1, Stalybridge 1; Farsley 1, Irlam 2; Fleetwood 2, Radcliffe 1; Harrogate 0, Penrith 0; Lancaster 0, Droylsden 3; Leek 4, Eastwood Town 1; Sutton Town 1, Winsford 5.

Third division

Blackpool	0	Wigan	0
Brighton	2	Brentford	1
Bristol R	4	Doncaster	0
Bury	4	Preston	0
Chester	0	Mansfield	2
Chestrfld	3	Southend	1
Fulham	1	Aldershot	2
Gillnghm	3	Notts Co	1
Northptn	2	Grimsby	1
Rotherhm	4	Bristol C	1
Sunderld	4	York	2
Walsall	2	Port Vale	1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sunderland	15	9	4	2	28	14	31
Walsall	15	8	5	2	23	12	29
Northampton	15	8	4	3	26	11	28
Notts C	15	7	5	3	27	19	26
Fulham	15	8	2	5	23	15	26
Bristol C	15	7	4	4	25	23	25
Gillingham	15	6	6	3	38	17	24
Brighton	15	6	6	3	22	17	24
Port Vale	14	7	2	5	22	15	23
Brentford	15	6	4	5	18	19	22
Chester	14	6	3	5	19	22	21
Bury	15	5	5	5	20	18	20
Mansfield	14	6	2	6	19	18	20
Wigan	14	5	5	4	22	25	20
Rotherham	15	4	7	4	21	18	19
Bristol R	15	5	4	6	26	26	19
Chesterfield	15	6	1	8	13	30	19
Blackpool	14	5	3	6	18	17	18
Aldershot	13	5	1	7	22	28	16
Grimsby	15	4	3	8	16	19	15
Preston	15	2	5	8	10	23	11
Doncaster	14	4	1	9	11	27	11
Southend	15	2	4	9	21	40	10
York	15	0	4	11	17	34	4

● Doncaster deducted two points by League

BASS NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: Raab Archer Cup: Second replay: Ford Motors 5, Kirkby 2. First division: Clitheroe 1, Skelmersdale 0; Colne 6, Warrington 0; Glossop 0, Bootle 2; Leyland Motors 0, Salford 0; Prescot Cables 0, Darwen 0; Rossendale 2, Formby 0; St Helens 0, Burscough 1.

Fourth division

Cambridge	0	Colchster	1
Carlisle	3	Tranmere	2
Darlingtn	2	Wolves	2
Exeter City	3	Crewe	1
Halifax	0	Peterboro	0
Newport	2	Wrexham	0
Rochdale	2	Bolton	2
Scarboro	1	Hartlpool	1
Scunthrpe	2	Cardiff	1
Swansea	3	Leyton O	0
Torquay	1	Burnley	3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Scarborough	15	8	3	4	25	17	27
Scunthorpe	15	7	6	2	27	20	27
Burnley	15	8	2	5	17	18	26
Wolves	15	7	4	4	27	18	25
Peterborough	15	7	4	4	17	16	25
Leyton Orient	15	6	6	3	34	21	24
Torquay	15	7	3	5	23	15	24
Bolton	14	7	3	4	21	13	24
Colchester	15	7	3	5	18	15	24
Cardiff	15	7	3	5	20	18	24
Hartlepool	15	6	5	4	23	20	23
Darlington	15	6	5	4	25	23	23
Halifax	15	6	4	5	20	17	22
Exeter	15	6	3	6	23	18	21
Cambridge C	15	6	3	6	20	17	21
Crewe	15	4	8	3	21	20	20
Swansea	15	6	1	8	20	21	19
Hereford	15	5	3	7	12	18	18
Carlisle	15	5	2	8	25	31	17
Wrexham	15	4	3	8	15	23	15
Stockport	15	4	1	10	12	21	13
Newport	15	3	2	10	13	30	11
Rochdale	15	2	5	8	13	36	11
Tranmere	14	3	2	9	14	21	9

● Tranmere deducted two points by League.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Armthorpe Welfare 1, Long Eaton 0; Bridlington Trinity 2, Hallam 3; Denaby 2, Guiseley 1; Harrogate Railway 3, Ossett Albion 0; North Ferriby 2, Bridlington Town 2; Thackley 1, Emley 0.

Fine Fare Scottish League
Premier division

Celtic	1	Dundee Utd	2
Hearts	3	Morton	0
Mthrwell	3	Dunfermline	2
S Mirren	2	Hibernian	2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hearts	14	10	2	2	28	11	22
Celtic	14	7	5	2	23	12	19
Aberdeen	13	6	6	1	20	9	18
Rangers	13	6	3	4	24	10	15
St Mirren	14	5	5	4	17	15	15
Dundee Utd	14	4	7	3	15	14	15
Hibernian	14	5	5	4	20	20	15
Dundee	13	5	4	4	23	14	14
Motherwell	14	4	2	8	11	20	10
Dunfermline	14	2	4	8	12	28	8
Morton	14	2	3	9	18	39	7
Falkirk	13	2	2	9	12	31	6

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Barnstaple 1, Clevedon 2; Bristol City 0, Radstock 2; Bristol Manor Farm 5, Dawlish 0; Chippenham 0, Bideford 1; Clandown 2, Exmouth 0; Frome 1, Paulton 1; Liskeard 1, Minehead 1; Plymouth Argyle 4, Melksham 2; Taunton 1, Mangotsfield 1; Torrington 1, Swanage and Herston 1.

DRYBROUGHS NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Blyth 2, Gretna 0; Ferryhill 0, Shildon 4; Newcastle Blue Star 2, South Bank 0; North Shields 1, Crook 2; Ryhope CA 1, Spennymoor 3; Whitley Bay 2, Chester-le-Street 0.

FA VASE: First round: Daisy Hill 2, Ashton 0; Merseyside Police 0, Uniasco 2; Wivenhoe 2, Barry 3; Canvey Island 2, Eynesbury 0; East Thurrock 3, Northwood 1; Faversham 4, Shoreham 0; Merstham 2, Chertsey 2 (aet); Horsham 4, Crockenhill 0; Burgess Hill 4, Alma Swanley 0. First round replays: Whickham 2, Prudhoe East End 3; Great Harwood 2, Seaton Delaval 1; Wantage 3, Caine 1; Hengrove 2, St Austell 3; Backwell 1, Keynsham 0.

First division

Airdrie	5	Qn of South	1
Clyde	0	Hamilton	3
Clydebank	1	Forfar	0
Kilmarnock	1	Dumbarton	0
Meadowbnk	2	East Fife	3
Raith Rov	4	Partick	3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hamilton	17	10	4	3	33	15	24
Airdrie	16	8	4	4	26	22	20
Forfar	17	6	7	4	30	20	19
Raith R	17	9	1	7	34	31	19
Meadowbank	17	6	7	4	22	20	19
Clyde	17	7	4	6	38	29	18
Queen of Sth	17	5	6	6	22	28	16
Dumbarton	17	5	6	6	21	27	16
Clydebank	17	6	3	8	19	26	15
Kilmarnock	17	5	3	9	22	27	13
Partick	16	3	6	7	20	30	12
East Fife	17	4	3	10	23	37	11

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Alvechurch 2, Shepshed 1; Ashford 2, Redditch 4; Bedworth 0, Crawley 3; Dorchester 3, Corby 0; Fareham 4, Cambridge City 2; Gosport 1, Witney 0; Leicester United 1, Bromsgrove 2. Midland division: Bilston 3, King's Lynn 0, Bridgnorth 4, Rushden 2; Buckingham 1, Gloucester 1; Forest Green 1, Dudley 2; Hednesford 0, Trowbridge 2; Stourbridge 1, Wellingborough 2; Sutton Coldfield 5, Grantham 1. Southern division: Andover 1, Erith and Belvedere 0; Baldock 3, Hastings 1; Burnham 0, Salisbury 1; Canterbury 0, Ruislip 0; Corinthian 2, Sheppey 0; Dover 3, Dunstable 0; Poole 1, Gravesend and Northfleet 2; Hounslow 1, Chatham 0; Tonbridge 1, Folkestone 2.

SUSSEX SENIOR CUP: First round: Bosham 1, Newhaven 0; Chichester 5, Ringmer 0; Hailsham 2, Oakwood 1; Horsham YMCA 0, Ferring 3; Langney 3, East Grinstead 2; Portfield 1, Midhurst and Easebourne 2; Storrington 4, Little Common Albion 1; Wigmore 1, Seaford 2.

Second division

Albion Rov	1	S Johnstne	1
Alloa	1	Berwick	0
Arbroath	1	Brechin	2
E Stirling	0	Ayr	2
Montrose	0	Queens Pk	2
Stenhsemr	0	Cowdenbth	0
Stranraer	0	Stirling Alb	0

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Ayr Utd	13	11	2	0	39	6	24
St Johnstone	13	7	6	0	20	6	20
Queens Park	13	8	2	3	27	17	18
Brechin	13	6	5	2	18	11	17
Stirling A	13	5	5	3	17	14	15
Arbroath	13	5	3	5	23	22	13
Albion R	13	5	3	5	17	23	13
E Stirling	13	4	4	5	12	14	12
Alloa	13	5	1	7	20	16	11
Montrose	13	4	2	7	13	20	10
Stranraer	13	3	4	6	13	22	10
Stenhousemuir	13	2	5	6	10	20	9
Cowdenbeath	13	1	5	7	18	35	7
Berwick	13	1	1	11	8	29	3

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Barking 3, Hendon 0; Harrow 1, Hitchin 0; Kingstonian 2, Dulwich 2; St Albans 2, Windsor and Eton 1; Bromley 2, Tooting and Mitcham 0. First division: Chesham 0, Lewes 3; Grays 4, Kingsbury 0; Hampton 0, Billericay 1; Leatherhead 2, Oxford City 1; Marlow 1, Southwick 2; Staines 4, Wembley 2; Stevenage 0, Woking 2; Uxbridge 1, Walton and Hersham 0; Walthamstow Avenue 0, Worthing 0; Wolverton 0, Boreham Wood 3. Second division north: Aveley 1, Tring 1; Clapton 2, Berkhamsted 0; Haringey Borough 1, Heybridge 0; Harlow 1, Vauxhall Motors 1; Hemel Hempstead 2, Ware 3; Rainham 2, Royston 1; Saffron Walden 3, Collier Row 0; Tilbury 3, Finchley 2; Witham 3, Hornchurch 0. Postponed: Hertford v Barton. Second division south: Banstead 0, Hungerford 3; Camberley 0, Ruislip Manor 1; Egham 2, Eastbourne United 3; Feltham 6, Harefield 2; Flackwell Heath 1, Dorking 3; Maidenhead United 3, Epsom and Ewell 1; Metropolitan Police 1, Chalfont St Peter 1; Molesey 0, Petersfield 0; Whyteleafe 4, Southall 3.

FA COUNTY YOUTH CUP: First round replay: Birmingham 4, Worcestershire 0.

ENGLISH SCHOOLS TROPHY: South London 2, West London 2.

LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Premier division: Derry 0, Shelbourne 0; Galway 1, Dundalk 0; St Patrick's 1, Shamrock 1; Sligo 0, Cork 2; Waterford 1, Bray 1.

GM Vauxhall Conference

Alt'cham	0	Telford	3
Kettering	1	Kidminstr	1
Stafford	3	Wycombe	0

SOUTH-EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Arsenal 1, Watford 3; Cambridge 0, Charlton 5; Chelsea 1, Norwich 1; Gillingham 2, Queen's Park Rangers 1; Leyton Orient 3, Southend 1; Portsmouth 2, Millwall 3; Tottenham 2, Fulham 1; West Ham 4, Ipswich 0. Second division: Bournemouth 0, Southampton 7; Bristol City 2, Northampton 6; Bristol Rovers 2, Brentford 2; Colchester 2, Wimbledon 1; Crystal Palace 2, Swindon 2; Reading 0, Tottenham 1.

UEFA CUP: Second round, first leg: Spartak Moscow (USSR) 4, Werder Bremen (WG) 1.

FRENCH LEAGUE: First division: Toulouse 0, Auxerre 0; Paris St Germain 0, Metz 2; Niort 1, Marseille 0; Monaco 2, Nantes 1; Cannes 3, Matra Racing 1; Bordeaux 1, Saint-Etienne 0; Toulon 3, Brest 0; Lille 0, Laval 0; Le Havre 0, Lens 1; Montpellier 4, Nice 1. Leading positions: 1, Monaco, played 16, 24pts; 2, Bordeaux, 16, 21; 3, Nantes, 16, 19.

ITALIAN LEAGUE: First division: Avellino 1, Cesena 1; Como 3, Ascoli 1; Empoli 0, Pisa 1; Internazionale 2, Juventus 1; Pescara 0, Sampdoria 0; AS Roma 1, Napoli 1; Torino 2, Fiorentina 1, Verona 0, Milan 1. Leading positions: 1, Napoli, played 6, 11pts; 2, Roma, 6, 8; 3, Milan, 6, 8.

SPANISH LEAGUE: First division: (Saturday) Valladolid 1, Athletic Bilbao 0.

WEST GERMAN CUP: (Friday) Kaiserslautern 4, Blau-Weiss Berlin 3; Werder Bremen 1, Hamburg SV 3. (Saturday) Karlsruhe 1, Nuremberg 1; Viktoria Aschaffenburg 1, Cologne 0; Eintracht Frankfurt 3, SSV Ulm 0; TSG Giengen 1, Bochum 2; Hertha Berlin 1, Bayer Uerdingen 2.

Yesterday
Skol Cup
Final

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Bett (pen), Hewitt, Falconer			Cooper, Durrant, Fleck 71,961		

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FA CUP: Fourth qualifying round: Bath 3, Slough 1.

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Nearlywed a fine prospect for Eddery

By Mandarin

Nearlywed, a half-sister to the outstanding French colt Blushing Groom, can further enhance her value as a broodmare by winning this afternoon's Flawborough EBF Stakes at Nottingham. She is my nap.

She already has two successes to her credit this season, a wide-margin win in a Chester maiden in August and more recently a similarly emphatic five-length triumph over Sivaji in an an apprentices' contest at Catterick Bridge earlier this month.

That record may have read even better as she was rather unlucky immediately prior to her Catterick win when badly hampered in the closing stages when third – later promoted to second – to Tittlemouse at Sandown Park last month.

This 10-furlong trip should suit her and it is worth noting that her best form has been shown on soft ground.

The form of Morasco's second to Cadisa in an Ayr maiden last time may not be good enough and I have greater respect for course and distance Castle Ward, who ran a gallant race under big weight when second to Tilting Court at Bath last time.

Pat Eddery, who partners Nearlywed, has several attractive rides as he attempts to close the gap on Steve Cauthen in the jockeys' title battle. The reigning champion may also be on the mark with Zinzio in division two of the Woodborough Maiden Stakes.

The Olivier Douieb-trained colt showed enough promise when a running-on third to Kneller on his Warwick debut to suggest a modest race such as this would be within his capabilities.

Dick Hern introduces an impeccably-bred newcomer, Royal Bank, in division one of the maiden. By Mill Reef out of the Oaks winner Dunfermline, he is worth watching with an eye to the future but I side with the experience of King William, third to Laughing Moon at Warwick last time.

The Creda Electric Handicap is a particularly tricky affair and in the belief that the winner will come from the lower end of the handicap I go for New Evidence.

Although her last run, when second to Optimism Flamed at Newcastle, was over a mile she has performed with credit over sprint trips, notably when a close third to Fawley's Girl at Pontefract last month.

At Fakenham's National Hunt meeting, course specialist Philip Mitchell may provide the winner of the Fisher And Sons Hurdle with Guessing.

The four-year-old ran well in several competitive juvenile hurdles last term – including a third to Mareth Line at Lingfield – and this looks a good opportunity for him.

NOTTINGHAM

Selections

By Mandarin	By Our Newmarket Correspondent
1.30 City Final.	1.30 Funny Sarah.
2.00 New Evidence.	2.00 Foolish Touch.
2.30 Hard To Stop.	2.30 Prima Domina.
3.00 King William.	3.00 Kennerton Green.
3.30 NEARLYWED (nap).	3.30 NEARLYWED (nap).
4.00 Zinzio.	4.00 Zinzio.

By Michael Seely

2.00 Foolish Touch. 3.00 King William. 4.00 ZINZIO (nap).

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.00 ZINZIO.

Going: good to soft

Draw: high numbers best

1.30 RAINWORTH APPRENTICE SELLING HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £1,094: 1m 50yd) (10 runners)

3	(10)	001240	FRANK THE BANK 7 (F) (F Farrant) M Pipe 9-7	A Shoults	92
4	(5)	03-0000	LOMA BREEZE 23 (J James) D Moffatt 9-0	J Carr	87
5	(8)	430400	MISS CHARMING 18 (B Schmidt-Bodner) M Ryan 8-13	N Gwilliams (5)	98
6	(4)	000300	LADY HOMILY 65 (Mrs P Michael) E Wheeler 8-13	L Riggio	96
9	(3)	301202	FUNNY SARAH 21 (B,G) (P Riseborough) M Tompkins 8-11	G King	95
10	(2)	403200	CITY FINAL 21 (F) (Mrs P Tellwright) R Hollinshead 8-10	A Culhane	98
12	(7)	000001	SEPTEMBER SNAP 26 (F) (R Wright) B Stevens 8-8	P Barnard	● 99
14	(6)	000-00	POLLAN BAY 38 (M MacCarthy) T Casey 8-5	J Quinn	—
18	(1)	000000	SHENLEY ROMP 48 (R Skeggs) K Ivory 7-12	G Hind	96
21	(9)	000004	ROCKETS OAK 60 (M Woolridge) D Williams 7-9	D D'Arcy (5)	97

BETTING: 3-1 Funny Sarah, 7-2 September Snap, 4-1 Frank The Bank, 5-1 City Final, 8-1 Lady Homily, Rockets Oak, 12-1 others.

1986: LE MANS 8-11 Julie Bowker (10-1) Capt J Wilson 18 ran

FORM FRANK THE BANK (8-2) 6th stayed on well at the finish beaten 11½l by Holtermann (9-0) at Chepstow (1m, £2732, soft, Oct 21, 21 ran).

MISS CHARMING (7-10) unplaced to Echo Valley (8-13) at Lingfield (7f, £4519, heavy, Oct 8, 15 ran).

FUNNY SARAH (8-9) 2nd lacked pace close home beaten 4l by Winnies Luck (8-2) at Wolverhampton (1m, £941, good, Oct 5, 14 ran).

SEPTEMBER SNAP (8-5) stayed on well close home to win 1l from Hatching (8-4) at Brighton (1m, £1028, firm, Sep 30, 17 ran).

SHENLEY ROMP (7-13) 6th never a serious factor beaten 18l by Rose Meadow (8-3) at Folkestone (1m 2f, £832, good, Sep 6, 8 ran).

ROCKETS OAK (8-6) 4th failed to quicken beaten 5¼l by Glory Gold (7f, £898, soft, Aug 27, 8 ran).

Selection: FRANK THE BANK

2.0 CREDA ELECTRIC HANDICAP (£2,449: 6f) (26 runners)

1	(25)	420330	MERRYMOLES 33 (B,D,G,S) (A Bingley) M McCourt 4-9-12	A Tucker (7)	94
3	(24)	120031	FOOLISH TOUCH 9 (V,CD,F,G,S) (A Field) W Musson 5-9-10	M Wigham	95
6	(15)	0-33221	MISS RUNAWAY 27 (CD,F) (A Shead) J Winter 3-9-8	J Reid	94
7	(26)	000000	NORAPA 12 (CD,F,G) (A Wragg) M Brittain 3-9-7	T Ives	98
9	(11)	003003	RUN LITTLE LADY 20 (F) (T Ramsden) A Bailey 3-9-6	J Carr (5)	95
11	(22)	003223	TAUSTAFF 18 (Hesmonds Stud) P Walwyn 3-9-5	Pat Eddery	94
12	(13)	0-00024	MARIMBA 19 (G) (Mrs P Rossdale) J Winter 3-9-4	W R Swinburn	92
14	(16)	134000	AFRABELA 14 (CD,F) (A Wragg) M Brittain 3-9-4	K Darley	93
17	(7)	000000	YOUNG JASON 23 (D,F) (J Swift) G Lewis 4-8-13	P Cook	● 99
18	(9)	304340	ON THE RECORD 20 (S) (Mrs P Robinson) H Candy 3-8-13	W Newnes	95
22	(19)	000000	SUDDEN IMPACT 13 (B,CD,F,G,S) (R Cwarella) P Arthur 5-8-12	N Adams	—
23	(1)	300320	RESTLESS RHAPSODY 24 (BF,F,G) (W Haggas) W Haggas 4-8-12	M Hills	98
24	(2)	000000	MONT ARTHUR 10 (V,D,F) (I Matthews) I Matthews 3-8-11	N Day	89
25	(3)	00-1020	MRS SAUGA 52 (B,F) (K Howe) M Eckley 5-8-11	S Cauthen	92
26	(8)	000004	SWISS CONNECTION 13 (H Hutton) R Hutchinson 3-8-10	M Roberts	92
28	(14)	300040	TARANGA 7 (V,D,BF,S) (S Squires) K Ivory 4-8-10	R Cochrane	95
29	(6)	00000-0	SECURITY PACIFIC 13 (F) (Miss E Curtis) C Tinkler 4-8-10	M Birch	—
31	(5)	014003	AL-TORFANAN 12 (D,G) (T Sandgren) Pat Mitchell 3-8-9	W Carson	94
36	(20)	013000	CORNCHARM 48 (D,F,S) (Corncharm Ltd) H Collingridge 6-8-7	A Barclay	97
37	(21)	000000	ALWAYS A LADY 7 (D,G,S) (G Steinberg) L Holt 3-8-7	R Morse (5)	—
38	(23)	000010	BLEU CELESTE 20 (B,F) (J Livock) D Thom 3-8-6	A Shoults (3)	85
39	(12)	002302	NEW EVIDENCE 20 (E Eldin) E Eldin 4-8-6	B Raymond	94
41	(4)	040300	CAPTAIN'S BIDD 10 (F,G) (R Whiting) H Whiting 7-8-4	G Hind (7)	96
42	(18)	400003	TANIAS DAD 35 (V) (P O'Donnell) C Spares 4-8-3	B Rouse	94
44	(10)	400000	ROSIE DICKINS 13 (CD,F,S) (Dickins Ltd) R Hollinshead 5-8-1	A Culhane (5)	92
45	(17)	000-000	GEM OF GOLD 13 (C Oxborough) J Douglas-Home 4-8-0	S Whitworth	—

BETTING: 7-2 New Evidence, 4-1 Taustaff, 6-1 Miss Runaway, 15-2 Marimba, 8-1 Foolish Touch, Merrymoles, On The Record, 10-1 others.

1986: SULLY'S CHOICE 5-9-13 S Cauthen (20-1) D Chapman 25 ran

FORM FOOLISH TOUCH (8-2) 3rd stayed on beaten 2½l by Master Pokey (7-13) at Newmarket (6f, £9065, good to soft, Oct 17, 17 ran).

MISS RUNAWAY (8-11) stayed on well to win a length from TAUSTAFF (8-11), failed to quicken, at Nottingham (6f, £959, good to firm, Sep 29, 17 ran).

RUN LITTLE LADY RUN (9-5) 3rd finished full of running when beaten 6l by Surmise (8-1) with ON THE RECORD (8-12) 10th, failed to find much inside the distance, beaten 16l at Wolverhampton (7f, £1984, soft, Oct 6, 16 ran).

TAUSTAFF (8-11) 3rd stayed on inside the final furlong beaten 5l by Full Hearted (9-0) at Lingfield (7f, £959, heavy, Oct 8, 13 ran).

AL-TORFANAN (8-7) 3rd lost his lead close home beaten 3l, nk by Via Vitae (7-0) at Haydock (6f, £3969, heavy, Oct 14, 16 ran).

NEW EVIDENCE (8-6) 2nd just failed to get up beaten sh hd by Optimism Flamed (8-5) at Newcastle (1m, £2628, good, Oct 6, 20 ran).

Selection: MISS RUNAWAY

2.30 CREDA ECONOMY 7 FILLIES NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £2,326: 6f) (25 runners)

5	(20)	32233	FARRAS 27 (BF) (M Obaida) A Stewart 9-7	M Roberts	90
6	(4)	0144	GLOCKENSPIEL 13 (D,BF,G) (R Sangster) J Hindley 9-6	M Hills	90
8	(11)	120	MADAM TAYLOR 25 (F) (Taylors of Soham Ltd) H Collingridge 9-5	A Barclay	96
10	(15)	401	DANTHONIA 42 (G) (K Abdulla) J Tree 9-4	Pat Eddery	88
12	(23)	002	PRIMA DOMINA 42 (P Wetzel) M Stoute 9-3	W R Swinburn	90
13	(12)	020140	HARD TO STOP 25 (S) (Peter Shilton Ltd) R Hannon 9-3	B Rouse	92
15	(7)	023000	DENOTE 31 (J Miller) M Tompkins 9-1	G Carter	91
20	(16)	002	CHIMING MELODY 20 (B) (Mrs S Khan) Mrs S Piggott 8-13	B Crossley	90
21	(8)	233000	ELA-YIANNI-MOU 11 (F,G) (P Charalambous) M Brittain 8-13	A Munro (7)	92
24	(19)	30200	RED DAME 39 (Sir M Sobell) I Balding 8-11	T Ives	93
30	(1)	040	LAUGHING HOME 21 (Miss A Rawding) P Makin 8-9	T Williams	89
31	(10)	32040	BENEDICTION 76 (F Adams) Mrs C Reavey 8-7	P Barnard (7)	93
32	(21)	010000	TSUNGANI 20 (D,F) (I Southcott) M Prescott 8-5	G Duffield	90
33	(13)	22400	MY DIAMOND RING 41 (Mrs M Wickham) M Usher 8-5	A McGlone	97
35	(9)	331400	OLIVERS MAID 19 (D,F) (T Ramsden) A Bailey 8-5	J Carr (5)	● 99
37	(3)	0420	HINARI HI FI 7 (Hinari Consumer Electronics) M Johnston 8-4	—	87
40	(22)	000	HARMONY PARK 24 (G Mills) M Ryan 8-1	J Lowe	80
41	(5)	0034	WOODHAM PRINCESS 19 (Mrs A Wood) J Hills 8-0	R Street	93
42	(25)	0040	GALANDRIA 9 (Marquesa de Moratalla) Jimmy Fitzgerald 8-0	A Culhane (5)	90
44	(24)	040000	SAINT NAVARRO 20 (B) (Mrs M Fletcher) B McMahon 7-11	A Shoults (3)	91
45	(2)	000000	SMOKIN JOSIE 12 (N Chapman) R Hollinshead 7-11	G Hind (7)	88
47	(14)	03000	MISTRAL PRINCESS 13 (N Robinson) C Thornton 7-7	A Proud	83
49	(17)	33000	BLOXWICH PRINCESS 6 (E Carter) B Preece 7-7	P Hill	92
50	(6)	400000	KOO-MING 7 (B) (Mrs B Taylor) M McCourt 7-7	C Rutter	90
51	(18)	034403	PEACONPALA 18 (F) (R Ashford) Miss A King 7-7	D Gibson (7)	92

BETTING: 100-30 Danthonia, 5-1 Red Dame, 6-1 Chiming Melody, Prima Domina, 8-1 Farras, Glockenspiel, Madam Taylor, 10-1 others.

1986: SKYBOLT 9-0 S Cauthen (7-1) W O'Gorman 26 ran

FORM FARRAS (8-5) 3rd failed to quicken close home beaten ½l, nk with GLOCKENSPIEL (8-4) 4th led till lost touch one furlong from home beaten ½l, nk, hd by Gun Lady (8-10) here (6f, £2250, good to firm, Sep 29, 20 ran).

DANTHONIA (8-11) led close home to snatch victory from PRIMA DOMINA (8-11) by a sh hd at Wolverhampton (5f, £822, good to firm, Sep 14, 10 ran).

HARD TO STOP (8-7) unplaced to Slip And Stick (9-4) at Newmarket (5f, £5636, good to firm, Oct 1, 15 ran).

CHIMING MELODY (8-9) 2nd failed to quicken close home beaten 5l by Sweet Chesne (9-0) at Brighton (6f, £1136, good to soft, Oct 6, 10 ran).

PEACONPALA (8-1) 3rd stayed on well beaten 1l by Erwin Beach (9-4) at Lingfield in a seller (6f, £998, heavy, Oct 8, 20 ran).

Selection: PRIMA DOMINA

3.0 WOODBOROUGH MAIDEN STAKES (Div I: 2-Y-O: £959: 1m 2f) (20 runners)

1	(13)	0	ALPHA BRAVO 12 (T G Holdcroft Ltd) C Brittain 9-0	P Cook	—
2	(14)	000	CONNATE 14 (Mrs M Gibbons) P Howling 9-0	N Adams	—
3	(3)	0000	DREAMING STAR 18 (Mrs F Durr) F Durr 9-0	W Newnes	76
4	(18)	00233	EJAY HAITCH 7 (Mrs E Handley) H Wharton 9-0	D Nicholls	92
5	(20)	00	EYEOPENER 156 (Lord Bristol) F Durr 9-0	G Starkey	—
6	(1)	00430	FORT JAMES 9 (J Morley) D Morley 9-0	M Birch	75
7	(19)	0	GRAEMARR BOY 6 (G Mann) D Morley 9-0	M Roberts	—
9	(8)	03	KENNERTON GREEN 18 (Lady Renouf) J Hindley 9-0	T Ives	90
10	(7)	03	KING WILLIAM 14 (W Said) J Hindley 9-0	M Hills	● 99
11	(10)	000	NEIL'S ADVICE 14 (Mrs D Carvalho) C Spares 9-0	B Rouse	—
12	(6)	00	PEER PRINCE 26 (J Cooke) G Pritchard-Gordon 9-0	G Carter	83
14	(15)	0430	ROWLANDSONS TROPHY 13 (Rowlandsons Ltd) A Ingham 9-0	R Fox	96
15	(17)		ROYAL BANK (The Queen) W Hern 9-0	W Carson	—
17	(4)	0	RUN FREE 69 (Rhodsbourne Ltd) R Casey 9-0	P Hamblett	—
19	(16)	00000	SHARPFORD 13 (Mrs A Norman) W Wightman 9-0	J Williams	68
21	(2)	002	WHITE SAPPHIRE 12 (A Bottomley) Jimmy Fitzgerald 9-0	S Cauthen	95
23	(5)		FESTIVAL FANFARE 20 (Maj Gen Sir G Burns) M Prescott 8-9	G Duffield	93
24	(11)	0	JASMIN PATH 7 (J Hopper) H Fleming 8-9	M Wigham	—
25	(12)	00	LADY VERDI 35 (R Trontz) S Norton 8-9	J Lowe	70
26	(9)	332020	VICEROY MELODY 14 (F Broom) R Hannon 8-9	Pat Eddery	97

BETTING: 7-2 King William, 4-1 Royal Bank, White Sapphire, 6-1 Ejay Haitch, Festival Fanfare, 8-1 Rowlandsons Trophy, 9-1 Viceroy Melody, 10-1 others.

1986: AMADEUS ROCK 8-9 A Shoults (12-1) J Hindley 20 ran

FORM ALPHA BRAVO (9-0) 9th did not have the best of starts when needing the race behind Topsider Man (9-0) at Haydock (1m, £2176, heavy, Oct 14, 10 ran).

DREAMING STAR (8-7) 16th faded quickly close home behind Brother Bushido (8-3) with KENNERTON GREEN (8-12) 3rd lacked pace beaten 6l at York (1m 1f, £3610, good, Oct 8, 17 ran).

KING WILLIAM (9-0) 3rd stayed on at one pace beaten 3½l by Laughing Moon (9-0) at Warwick (1m, £1462, soft, Oct 12, 17 ran).

WHITE SAPPHIRE (9-0) 2nd could not quicken with the winner Smart Roberto (9-0) beaten 4l at Haydock (1m, £2182, heavy, Oct 14, 13 ran).

FESTIVAL FANFARE (8-11) 4th never a serious factor beaten 5½l by Upper Strata (8-11) at Wolverhampton (1m 1f, £1075, soft, Oct 6, 10 ran).

EJAY HAITCH (8-11) 3rd, led till headed close home and fought back well beaten sh hd, hd by Winmoss (9-7) at Hamilton (1m, £959, heavy, Oct 19, 4 ran).

VICEROY MELODY (8-8) 5th lost her lead close home beaten 4½l by Time Domain (9-7) at Pontefract (1m, £2687, good to soft, Oct 12, 11 ran).

Selection: WHITE SAPPHIRE

3.30 FLAWBOROUGH EBF STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,292: 1m 2f) (19 runners)

5	(8)	1-20000	YAHEEB 40 (F) (M Al Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 9-8	R Hills	94
6	(9)	000142	CASTLE WARD 35 (B,CD,F) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Dunlop 9-5	B Rouse	90
7	(5)	302140	JASON'S QUEST 68 (F) (Sheikh Mohammed) B Hills 9-4	J Reid	96
9	(17)	414421	NEARLYWED 10 (S) (Kinderhill Corporation) B Hanbury 9-4	Pat Eddery	97
13	(4)	02214	SUMARA 9 (D,S) (Sheikh Mohammed) L Cumani 9-3	R Cochrane	86
14	(2)	000	FIRST ERROR 7 (K Bradley) K Bridgwater 9-0	D Bridgwater (7)	67
16	(10)	301000	GLINT OF VICTORY 33 (D,F) (K Al-Said) J Hindley 9-0	G Starkey	● 99
17	(6)	042	MORASCO 13 (BF) (C St George) H Cecil 9-0	S Cauthen	84
18	(13)	0-0420	PALAIS DE DANSE 9 (The Queen) W Hastings-Bass 9-0	B Raymond	83
19	(11)	230043	QUESSARD 18 (F Lee) F Lee 9-0	S Perks	82
20	(1)	0	SEEK TO WIN 18 (G Swire) Mrs N Smith 9-0	T Williams	—
21	(3)	00	SHAINAN 7 (Miss Z Davison) G Gracey 9-0	—	—
22	(7)		SHARKSKIN SUIT (Amerigroup Bloodlines Corporation) O Douieb 9-0	—	—
23	(15)	000032	SOMEBODY 18 (Lord Tavistock) C Brittain 9-0	M Roberts	83
24	(12)	0	WINISKI 163 (Dowager Lady Beaverbrook) W Hern 9-0	W Carson	—
25	(19)	302040	YOUNG GHILLIE 14 (V) (Mrs B Maynard) P Walwyn 9-0	N Howe	91
28	(14)	24200	BUSTLE ALONG 19 (T Holland-Martin) R Johnson Houghton 8-11	W Newnes	87
34	(18)	0	ROYAL LACE 125 (G Gething) W Wightman 8-11	J Williams	—
37	(16)	0	TINO REPPIN 6 (C Wagstaff) J Leigh 8-11	S Morris	—

BETTING: 9-4 Nearlywed, 5-1 Morasco, 6-1 Glint Of Victory, Jason's Quest, Somebody, 8-1 Bustle Along, Quessard, 10-1 others.

1986: FIRST KISS 9-6 B Thomson (7-1) J Dunlop 12 ran

FORM CASTLE WARD (9-9) 2nd lost his lead close home beaten 2½l by Tilting Court (8-13) at Bath (1m 2f, £3473, good, Sep 21, 14 ran).

NEARLYWED (8-3) soon won her race by 5l from Sivaji (8-6) at Catterick (1m 4f, £1192, soft, Oct 16, 11 ran).

SUMARA (9-4) 4th stayed on inside the final furlong beaten 12l by Docksider (8-13) at Newmarket (1m 2f, £5462, Oct 17, 17 ran).

GLINT OF VICTORY 9-6) 5th never a serious factor beaten 4½l by Tittlemouse (8-11) at Sandown (1m 2f, £2859, good, Sep 23, 13 ran).

MORASCO (9-8) 2nd lost his lead in the final furlong beaten 1½l by Cadisa (8-11) at Ayr (1m 3f, £959, heavy, Oct 13, 6 ran).

QUESSARD (7-13) 3rd beaten 7½l by Positive Way (7-13) at York (1m 4f, £320, good, Oct 8, 9 ran).

SOMEBODY (8-11) 2nd lost his lead close beaten 5l by the easy winner Proud Crest (9-9) at Lingfield (1m 4f, £959, heavy, Oct 8, 9 ran).

Selection: YOUNG GHILLIE

4.0 WOODBOROUGH MAIDEN STAKES (Div II: 2-Y-O: £959: 1m 2f) (16 runners)

1	(5)	40	ALRAZZI 28 (Hamdan Al Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 9-0	R Hills	89
3	(8)	00	BALI LEGEND 39 (V) (J Pearce) W Hastings-Bass 9-0	W Carson	72
8	(10)	0	CHEAP METAL 20 (H Norman) P Felgate 9-0	D Nicholls	—
10	(13)	02	GENAIR 13 (W Said) J Hindley 9-0	M Hills	92
14	(9)	0	NISCARA 7 (M Brittain) M Brittain 9-0	K Darley	—
15	(4)		PEALLA (F Kalla) J Hindley 9-0	R Cochrane	—
17	(15)	0	RAAHIN 80 (Maktoum Al Maktoum) Mrs S Piggott 9-0	B Crossley	—
18	(16)	0040	ROWLANDSONS GEMS 38 (B) (Rowlandsons Ltd) A Ingham 9-0	R Curant	—
19	(12)	000	STAR MILER 82 (A Alexander) J Bennett 9-0	S Dawson	66
20	(11)	0300	STEVERE 80 (Dr S Bennett) R Hannon 9-0	B Rouse	80
23	(1)	00	TURBINE BLADE 24 (O Ali) Mrs S Piggott 9-0	T Ives	92
25	(3)	3	ZINZIO 14 (Mrs C Thierlot) O Douieb 9-0	Pat Eddery	● 99
27	(6)	0	BRECKLAND GEM 11 (H Wright) P Howling 8-9	N Adams	—
29	(7)	00	FINAL TRIP 82 (Sheikh Ali Abu Khamsin) J Winter 8-9	W R Swinburn	72
31	(2)	0000	PEN BAL PRINCESS 18 (B) (G Park) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-9	G Duffield	77
32	(14)	042	PRINCESS SIHAM 60 (T Matid) P Howling 8-9	J Reid	78

BETTING: 4-5 Zinzio, 7-2 Genair, 6-1 Alrazzi, 8-1 Princess Silham, 10-1 Rashin, 14-1 others.

1986: OUR ELIASO 9-0 J Matthias (11-4 fav) L Piggott 20 ran

FORM ALRAZZI (9-0) 5th failed to quicken beaten 4l by Apache (9-0) at Hamilton (1m, £2100, soft, Sep 28, 11 ran).

GENAIR (9-0) 2nd hampered close home finished 3rd was moved up a place beaten 2½l behind Diamond Shine (8-9) at Ayr (1m, £1194, soft, Oct 13, 10 ran).

NISCARA (8-12) 8th lead 3 out until giving way close home beaten 8¾l by King Of Aragon (8-12) at Leicester (1m 2f, £918, soft, Oct 19, 17 ran).

STEVERE (8-9) 5th beaten 25l by Jungle Gold (9-7) at Newmarket (7f, £5111, good, Aug 7, 8 ran).

ZINZIO (9-0) 3rd stayed on well beaten 2l, nk by Kneller (9-0) at Warwick (1m, £1496, soft, Oct 12, 16 ran).

PRINCESS SILHAM (8-6) 2nd stayed on at the finish beaten ½l by Coqueta (8-6) at Newmarket in a seller (7f, £1878, good, Aug 7, 12 ran).

Selection: ZINZIO

Course specialists

TRAINERS

	Winners	Runners	Per cent
H Cecil	36	84	42.9
J Tree	7	18	38.9
M Stoute	20	78	25.6
J Dunlop	21	120	17.5
C Tinkler	8	55	14.5
R J Houghton	7	56	12.5

JOCKEYS

	Winners	Rides	Per cent
S Cauthen	35	165	21.2
Pat Eddery	25	129	19.4
W Carson	31	173	17.9
W R Swinburn	22	145	15.2
M Birch	12	83	14.5
R Hills	13	93	14.0

FAKENHAM

Selections

By Mandarin

1.45 Lucky Blake.	3.15 Mesa Kid.
2.15 Guessing.	3.45 Marienbourg.
2.45 Prince Oberon.	4.15 Woodburgh.

Going: good to soft

1.45 WALSINGHAM SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,004: 2m 80yd) (12 runners)

1		TRANSFORM (Mrs M Franks) J Booth 4-12-1	J Barlow	—
6	0410-20	PRONUPTIA BRIDE 45 (CD,G) (B Tsakansianos) D Wintle 6-11-10	A Carroll	92
7	0000-	MATELOT ROYALE 231 (M Butler) A Davison 4-11-8	S Murphy (7)	● 99
8	0042	SECLUSIVE 25 (D Bircumshaw) R Gow 4-11-8	C Brown	89
10	00003-1	LUCKY BLAKE 32 (G) (J Pepper) J Jenkins 4-11-5	S Sherwood	90
11	0P23F-4	CHATTERSPARK 72 (S) (D Hoskin) I Campbell 4-11-5	R Campbell	93
12	200042	WALMER SANDS 3 (Mrs A Esp) B Preece 5-11-4	P Warner	90
14	0000-	JENNY WYLLIE 241 (Mrs J Marks) K Morgan 6-11-3	K Burke (4)	—
15	P-0000	FISHING SMACK 17 (B Byford) B Byford 4-11-3	T Woolley (7)	—
16	3404-00	LOW RATION 10 (G Whiting) W Perrin 4-11-2	S Keightley	81
17	PF00-P	ST ATHANS GIRL 12 (Geyer Estates Ltd) R Curtis 4-11-2	R Goldstein	—
18	0000/F-4	STAR MAESTRO 21 (T Wood) K Morgan 5-11-2	J Osborne	—

BETTING: 2-1 Lucky Blake, 7-2 Seclusive, 4-1 Pronuptia Bride, 6-1 Chatterspark, 8-1 Matelot Royale, Walmer Sands, 10-1 Star Maestro, 12-1 others.

1986: PRONUPTIA BRIDE 5-10-7 A Carroll (7-1) D Wintle 8 ran

2.15 FISHER AND SONS HURDLE (Gentleman amateurs: £1,320: 2m 5f 110yd) (15 runners)

1	00/P000-	ALCAZABA 242 (S) (R Williams) Mrs R Williams 5-11-10	P Harding Jones (7)	—
3	010-	COLEMAN ABBEY 193 (F) (C Crown) F Winter 5-11-10	J Queally	88
4	2340-FF	ERIC'S WISH 10 (F) (D Jones) B Preece 7-11-10	R Beven (7)	75
5	0-02110	FRANGNITO 47 (F) (R Cornwell) G Balding 4-11-10	J Cornwell (7)	81
8	0-1103F	CUPIDS BOWER 18 (F) (Breener Fabrications Ltd) Mrs S Oliver 4-11-6	D Duggan (7)	88
9	3F00-	GUESSING 241 (Racegoers Club Owners Group) P Mitchell 4-11-5	D Bennyworth (7)	● 99
10	243200-	ICKWORTH 206 (Lord Bristol) Mrs D Haine 5-11-5	T Thomson Jones	91
11	030000-	RED METAL 172 (Mrs C Morris) A Bailey 7-11-5	S Ford (7)	—
12	P00/P	SHERPAMAN 12 (G Kelly) G Kelly 5-11-5	H Brown (7)	—
14	0/00	BARRGEMMA 10 (Mrs S Mollett) Mrs S Mollett 6-11-0	R Morris (7)	—
16	P0/30-04	MARTELL LADY 10 (Mrs S Mollett) Mrs S Mollett 9-11-0	L Kirby (7)	88
17	00000-4	SINTON BAVARD 16 (K Day) P Davis 6-11-0	R S Davis (7)	—
18	00	BELL BEATER 30 (V) (B Andrews) J Scallan 4-10-11	R Greene (7)	—
19	0000P-	JUBILEE JAMBOREE 154 (R Steward) J Scallan 4-10-11	S Scallan (7)	—
21	P0	PAGODA GIRL 72 (Abbey Car Salvage Ltd) W Kemp 4-10-11	A Welsh (7)	—

BETTING: 7-4 Guessing, 3-1 Coleman Abbey, 4-1 Ickworth, 6-1 Cupids Bower, 7-1 Frangnito, 20-1 Martell Lady, 25-1 Red Metal, Erics Wish, 33-1 others.

1986: (2m 80yd) MAN O'MAGIC 5-12-13 T Thomson Jones (8-15 fav) K Bailey 12 ran

2.45 RACING POST NOVICES CHASE (£1,170: 2m) (16 runners)

1	00-	CASH CRISIS 292 (Mrs C Lord) O Brennan 7-11-2	M Brennan	—
2		FLYING POUF (R Case) D Ringer 6-11-2	J Barlow	—
3	0	GENERAL FROST (Mrs J Bloom) Mrs J Bloom 6-11-2	Mr S Cowell (7)	—
4	P01/40F	HEROIC JAMES 12 (G) (K Noquet) H O'Neill 6-11-2	B Powell	—
5	33F/P-04	INDIAN 38 (B) (T Bayley) J Glover 7-11-2	S Johnson	77
6	400P03-	IRISH HARVEST 165 (F,G,S) (A Walton) R Hoad 6-11-2	M Hoad (7)	88
7		LORD WESSCAM (N Upson) P Upson 9-11-2	J Akehurst	—
9	400/33-0	PRINCE OBERON 23 (J Packer) R Allan 6-11-2	K Ryan (4)	87
11	U003-0P	SPOT THE PATCH 17 (G) (P Wilkins) Mrs S Oliver 7-11-2	R Hyett	● 99
12	0-0032F	FIB 10 (F) (Mrs S Greathead) T Greathead 5-10-13	Mr L Lay (7)	94
13	20-420F	SCHLEMMER 25 (P Hopkins) G Enright 5-10-13	M Perrett	—
14	0/0P0P0	THIRTY ACRE 6 (B) (J Sly) W Kemp 5-10-13	Mr S McKeever (7)	—
15	0-0230R	TROJAN GOD 11 (B,F,S) (S Locke) J Ffitch-Heyes 5-10-13	R Goldstein	—
16	00P0-	FORTINA'S FOX FIRE 154 (Miss C Morris) J Morris 7-10-11	S McNeill	—
17	000/00-0	STREET LEVEL 11 (R Holmes) H O'Neill 6-10-11	G McCourt	—
18	P0323-0	SOLSTICE BELL 11 (Mrs H Kilburn) R Voorspuy 5-10-8	M Furlong	—

BETTING: 3-1 Schlemmer, 7-2 Fib, 4-1 Irish Harvest, 6-1 Spot The Patch, 7-1 Prince Oberon, 10-1 Solstice Bell, 20-1 Indian, 25-1 Cash Crisis, 33-1 others.

1986: LING 8-11-12 R Strange (5-1) P Harris 9 ran

Guide to our in-line racecard

103 (12) 0-0432 TIMESFORM 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 .... B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F-fell. P-pulled up. U-unseated rider. B-brought down. S-slipped up. R-refused). Horse's name. Days since last outing. (B-blinkers. V-visor. H-hood. E-Eyeshield. C-course winner. D-distance winner. CD-course and distance winner. BF-beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F-firm, good to firm, hard. G-good. S-soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

3.15 MICHAEL SCOTNEY HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,699: 2m 80yd) (11 runners)

2	210210-	MAN O'MAGIC 156 (B,CD,F,G,S) (J Greig) K Bailey 6-12-0	P Croucher	94
3	122F-04	ROSS FANDANGO 30 (BF,F,G) (Mrs A Moran) J Pearce 8-11-12	J McLaughlin	93
5	030-40U	CAMDEN BELLE 4 (F,G) (Lady R Stuart-Wortley-Hunt) Miss L Bower 5-11-4	R Rowell	95
7	0032/	RUSTY LAW 574 (M Banks) M Banks 5-10-6	G McCourt	—
8	2220-10	KING'S CRUSADE 13 (G) (P Tsakarisianos) D Wintle 4-10-6	A Carroll	94
9	02P01-1	FOUR FOR UNCLE 58 (F,G) (Mrs J Young) I Campbell 5-10-4	R Campbell	91
10	20F-40F	THE DIPLOMAT 9 (F,G,S) (T Fry) W Kemp 9-10-3	S Shilston	98
11	82-2130	MESA KID 21 (V,F,S) (Mrs C Morgan) K Morgan 8-10-2	J Osborne (4)	● 99
16	0P1000/	TINOCO 539 (S) (Mrs C Howard) J F-Heyes 7-10-0	R Goldstein	—
17	F0F/3-U1	HENRY GEARY STEELS 28 (S) (R Champion) R Champion 7-10-0	B Powell	87
18	04F000-	QUALITAIR KING 226 (Qualitair Hotels Ltd) G Kelly 4-10-0	—	91

BETTING: 5-2 Mesa Kid, 7-2 Man O'Magic, 9-2 Four For Uncle, 11-2 King's Crusade, 7-1 Henry Geary Steels, 10-1 The Diplomat, 12-1 Ross Fandango, 14-1 others.

1986: (2m 5f 110yd) WHITE ROSE 4-11-3 S Smith Eccles (7-4 fav) N Henderson 9 ran

3.45 E E N RACING CLUB NOVICES HURDLE (3-Y-O: £685: 2m 80yd) (15 runners)

1	01	NEW BABY 12 (S) (Mrs J Bailey) A Bailey 10-12	G McCourt	—
3	2330	AKII-BUA 11 (T Sivier) Mrs S Oliver 10-8	W Haynes (7)	—
5	0	DONOSTI 9 (Lady R Stuart-Wortley-Hunt) Miss L Bower 10-8	R Rowell	—
7	0	PERFECT STRANGER 9 (I Paice) P Haslam 10-8	C Brown	—
8		SPY TOWER (Mrs J Smith) D Murray-Smith 10-8	P Croucher	—
9		SUIVEZ MOI (J Eddis) C Allen 10-8	Miss S Lawrence	—
10	3341	BOROTOWN 13 (S) (I McGready) D Wintle 10-7	A Carroll	—
14		GOLDEN TOPAZ (D Abeyewardene) E Eldin 10-5	S Keightley	—
15	43	INFRA RED BOY 75 (BF) (P Lane) K Morgan 10-5	J Osborne (4)	—
17		KELLY'S COMET (J Fry) I Campbell 10-5	R Campbell	—
19		MARIENBOURG (D Montagu) N Henderson 10-5	M Bowlby	—
22		SAUCE OF THE SEA (D Moore) M Ryan 10-5	Mr J Ryan (4)	—
26		TARTAR TERTIUS (J Parker) R Casey 10-5	J McLaughlin	—
27	2	TROPICAL BOY 6 (R Hendry) R Voorspuy 10-5	M Furlong	—
37		TINA'S BEAUTY (P Bradley) G Blum 10-0	J Barlow	—

BETTING: 11-4 New Baby, 3-1 Marienbourg, 9-2 Akii-Bua, 5-1 Infra Red Boy, 6-1 Borotown, 8-1 Sauce Of The Sea, 10-1 Tropical Boy, 14-1 Spy Tower, 20-1 others.

1986: TURN'EM BACK JACK 10-12 A Carroll (1-2 fav) A Bailey 11 ran

4.15 DEREHAM HANDICAP CHASE (£2,330: 3m) (10 runners)

1	F-101F2	WOODBURGH 11 (D,F,G,S) (M Stevens) J Bosley 9-11-10	M Bosley (4)	98
2	0F0U-31	CELTIC HAMLET 19 (D,F) (B Pearce) J Long 8-11-3	R Goldstein	94
3	006U0F3	OGDEN YORK 30 (F) (R Ellis) J Jenkins 6-10-6	S Sherwood	95
4	FFPP30-	MAITREDEE 189 (F,S) (Mrs A Wates) R Gow 8-10-4	C Brown	85
5	33-4423	STUBBS DAUGHTER 12 (BF,F,G,S) (C L Services Ltd) K Bailey 10-10-4	A Jones	94
6	F400P0-	TURN BLUE 154 (CD,F,G,S) (Mrs E Wilson) R Champion 8-10-4	R Rowe	● 99
7	D40112-	CELAIR 159 (CD,G) (Miss L Kent) R Hoad 5-10-3	M Hoad (7)	93
8	1000PP-	MARINE 178 (S) (R Orgles) W Kemp 9-10-1	S Shilston	98
9	110BP-0	JAUNTER 21 (C,S) (Whiting Commodities Ltd) W Holden 7-10-0	S Keightley	92
10	124403-	SWINGLETREE 248 (B,F,S) (Mrs J Curson) R Champion 11-10-0	B Powell	93

BETTING: 7-2 Stubbs Daughter, 4-1 Celtic Hamlet, 5-1 Ogden York, Woodburgh, 7-1 Celair, 8-1 Marine, 12-1 Maitredee, 16-1 Swingletree, 20-1 others.

1986: PRINCE CARLTON 11-12-2 Miss C Bloom (6-5 fav) Mrs J Bloom 5 ran

Course specialists

TRAINERS

	Winners	Runners	Per cent
W Holden	5	8	62.5
P Mitchell	13	40	32.5
Mrs J Bloom	6	20	30.0
J Jenkins	7	34	20.6
W Kemp	5	30	16.7

Only qualifiers

JOCKEYS

	Winners	Rides	Per cent
S Sherwood	15	38	39.5
A Carroll	7	26	26.9
S McNeill	5	47	11.0

Only qualifiers

RACING

Business as usual becomes keynote at Piggott's stable

By Michael Seely

Susan Piggott: holding the fort at Eve Lodge

Susan Piggott, the wife of the jailed former champion jockey, was busy yesterday at the family home, Eve Lodge, in Newmarket with her daughters, Maureen and Tracy.

"There's so much to sort out," she said. "The phone has never stopped ringing and people keep on calling. We've got three runners at Nottingham tomorrow and we're also selling a horse at the sales. Maureen's going to the races, and I might go as well if I can get done in time."

On Friday the Jockey Club gave Mrs Piggott, a well-known bloodstock agent and accomplished horsewoman, a temporary licence to carry on the training operation. "It's business as usual," she added wryly. "We've just got to carry on and keep things running smoothly until Lester gets back. That's the only plan."

In the wake of the Piggott case the Jockey Club now has to consider the more far-reaching implications. However, yesterday racing's ruling body was not prepared to comment on an article in a Sunday newspaper about alleged under the counter payments by Lord Howard de Walden and Louis Freedman, Reference Point's owner, to the jockey in 1982.

Peter Twite, the Head of Administration at Portman Square, said: "The stewards of the Jockey Club are meeting tomorrow to discuss the whole situation. But until they've read the article and discussed it they will not be in a position to say anything."

Mr Twite then talked about the relevant rule 75, covering retainers paid by trainers to jockeys, which have to be registered with Wetherbys, the Jockey Club secretariat. "This is a rather old-fashioned rule that was originally introduced to see that jockeys weren't underpaid," he said, "and it only covers contractual arrangements for a season and not payments asked by jockeys for a particular race."

However, in the case mentioned in the Sunday newspaper involving Henry Cecil and his owners, Piggott's demands were being made for regular payments and would therefore have had to be registered.

Although the Jockey Club is naturally concerned about the image of racing and the adverse publicity that has been received from the Piggott case, it is still felt that these matters are between the individuals concerned and the taxation authorities.

"You can only go so far with deterrent measures," Mr Twite continued, "and introducing rules that cannot be policed is pointless. The Jockey Club has no powers to raid people's homes even if it wanted to. Only the police, income tax and VAT people can do that kind of thing."

Brave Emmson strengthens Hern's hand for classics

Emmson's dogged victory over Sheriff's Star and Salse, the 7-4 on favourite, in the William Hill Futurity on Saturday, gave Dick Hern his first-ever victory in Doncaster's well established classic trial (Michael Seely writes).

It was also the first group one success for this outstanding trainer since Petoski's win in the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes in July, 1985.

"It was a like a shot in the arm," said the royal trainer yesterday. "Emmson's certainly got classic potential and I think he is sure to stay a mile and a half. We will just have to hope that he winters well."

The prestige two-year-old races in the autumn often upset preconceived notions about the balance of power in this department. And after two disappointing seasons, Hern now appears to hold a strong hand for 1988 as both Unfuwain and Charmer are reckoned to have as much potential as Emmson.

Sheriff's Star put up a fine performance in finishing second, beaten only a neck by the winner.

Tony Clark had looked sure to win on Moon Madness's half brother as the pair challenged entering the last furlong. "I think he would have won on faster going" said Lavinia, Duchess of Norfolk, pointing at the rain softened ground. "It is something to dream about during the winter and he should stay all right."

Sheriff's Star's owner added that Moon Madness remained a probable for the Japan Cup, provided that the invitation is issued to last year's St Leger winner.

The disappointment of the race was, of course, the performance of Salse. The favourite looked to be travelling easily early in the straight, but was then unable to raise his gallop when the tempo quickened.

"He was a bit edgy and pulled rather hard" said Steve Cauthen. "I think he has had enough for the season. It is always a funny time of the year."

However, although Salse probably ran not far below his best, the equally strongly fancied Alwuhuish, who had previously finished such a promising third to Sanquirico at Ascot with Emmson fourth, came last of all.

"I am afraid he had a temperature this morning," said John Dunlop yesterday.

With the final two-year-old pattern race of the campaign now having taken place, Warning remains favourite at 5-1 for the 2,000 Guineas with City Index. Reprimand is second favourite at 12-1 with Caerwent, Sanquirico, Tralos and Carmelite House all on the 16-1 mark.

The same firm, in making Sanquirico their first choice in the market at 16-1 for the Derby, have introduced Emmson into the betting at 20-1.

Willie Carson, despite having shown all the fire and strength which has now won him five jockeys' championships was in his normally terse mood with the media afterwards.

However, the bustling Scot relented after landing a double on Shady Heights in the Breeders Cup Prep Mile. "You will have to write about me now" he shouted, "and the name is still spelt Carson."

It was good to see Shady Heights beat Bold Argument in such decisive style. It is the first time his blood count has been 100 per cent recently," said Robert Armstrong, his trainer. "I am not going to send him to California and he might run at Newmarket next weekend."

At Newbury, Rakaposhi King proved a disappointing favourite for the St Simon Stakes as Walter Swinburn brought Lake Erie home clear of Ivory Fields to provide a fine one-two for Michael Stoute. "He has done nothing but improve all season" said the trainer. "I would like to keep him in training as a five-year-old, but he has already been sold to go for stallion duties to Chile."

The other features on the Berkshire course were Pat Eddery's double on Spanish Calm and Woodpecker and the continuation of Barry Hills' fine season when Sparrow's Air earned herself a 25-1 quote for the 1988 Oaks with a clever defeat of New Trends in the Radley Stakes.

With Cauthen drawing a blank at Doncaster, Eddery now trails his rival by two.

With only two weeks of the British season left, Hills is now looking forward to 1988. "Robert Sangster wants me to send Lord Justice to Australia for the $1 million H.E.Tancred on March 26 at Rosehill. I am going to sharpen him up over hurdles first. And if he takes to the game really well, he might go for the Daily Express Triumph Hurdle instead."

The last National Hunt winner saddled by Hills was in 1978 when Nicky Henderson rode Humdolcila to victory on the same afternoon that Midnight Court won the Cheltenham Gold Cup.

Other news on the Natioal Hunt front is that Richard Dunwoody has been released from his weekend engagements at Sandown and hopes to fly to Maryland to partner Flatterer for Jonathan Shephard in the Breeders Cup Chase at Fair Hill. Flatterer, one of the most accomplished jumpers in the world, finished second to See You Then in last season's Champion Hurdle.

TITLE RACE

STEVE CAUTHEN 187

Winners on Saturday: none.
Rides today: three – Mrs Sauga (2.0 Nottingham), White Sapphire (3.0), Morasco (3.30).

PAT EDDERY 185

Winners on Saturday: two – Spanish Calm (4-1), Woodpecker (5-1).
Rides today: five – Taustaff (2.0 Nottingham), Danthonia (2.30), Viceroy Melody (3.0), Nearlywed (3.30), Zinzio (4.0).

(12 Flat racing days remaining)

Selling winner is sold twice

Selling hurdle winner Splendid Magnolia had to be auctioned twice at Stratford on Saturday following a muddle over the original bidding, which stopped at 4,000 guineas.

The four-year-old was re-auctioned and bought back by his owner, David Whitehead, for 1,600 guineas.

Weld victory

The Dermot Weld-trained Careafolie landed Saturday's Ardenode Stud Leopardstown Stakes from the two English raiders, Plantation and Shuja. Vincent O'Brien's Gold Discovery was a disappointing fourth.

Starkey banned after victory on Soviet Star

From Our French Racing Correspondent, Paris

Greville Starkey won the £40,825 Prix de la Foret (seven furlongs) on Soviet Star at Longchamp yesterday, but received a four-day suspension for causing interference early in the straight.

Starkey had to take evasive action when his pacemaker, Komaite, dropped back through the field, but bumped Grey Goddess and Tenue de Soiree as he pulled sharply to the outside.

That pair finished well back and the stewards allowed Soviet Star to keep the race. The suspension will run from Tuesday to Friday of next week.

Royal Gait (Alfred Gibert) made it a double for the big race favourites when beating Spruce Baby (John Lowe) by eight lengths in the £41,857 Prix Royal-Oak (15½ furlongs).

Angel City and Sergeyvich, John Dunlop's strongly fancied pair, could finish only sixth and tenth.

But the Arundel trainer was on the mark with Highland Chieftain (Tony Ives) in Dusseldorf.

Saturday's results

Doncaster

2.10 1, Goodwyns Lad (6-1); 2, Bonafortune (7-2 fav); 3, Good Buy Bailey's (15-2). 15 ran. NR: Melgrove, Kept In Style.

2.40 1, Gunner's Hill (20-1); 2, Jamari (5-2 fav); 3, Steppey Lane (14-1). 4, True Queen (14-1). 28 ran.

3.10 1, Cheerful Times (6-1); 2, North Pacific (6-1); 3, Shiny Kay (11-2). Witchcraft 5-2 fav (disq). 9 ran. NR: First Bill.

3.40 1, Emmson (7-1); 2, Sheriff's Star (17-2); 3, Salse (4-7 fav). 6 ran.

4.10 1, Mayor (14-1); 2, Wing Park (12-1); 3, Golden Ancona (13-2 jt-fav); 4, Bechemal (16-1). 29 ran. Dawns Delight, Cragside 13-2 jt-favs.

4.40 1, Shady Heights (13-8 fav); 2, Bold Arrangement (14-1); 3, Vague Shot (11-1). 11 ran.

5.10 1, Yalciyna (4-1); 2, Sporting Simon (33-1); 3, Anthony Loretto (16-1). 23 ran. Israr 8-13 fav.

Newbury

1.30 1, Spanish Calm (4-1 fav); 2, Major Jacko (20-1); 3, Premier Lad (11-2). 14 ran. NR: Wing Park.

2.0 1, Woodpecker (5-1 fav); 2, Vouchsafe (12-1); 3, King Teiirux (6-1). 11 ran.

2.30 1, Sparrows Air (8-1); 2, New Trends (5-4 fav); 3, Stop Day (8-1). 10 ran.

3.0 1, Lake Erie (8-1); 2, Ivory Fields (9-1); 3, Waterfield (15-2). Rakaposhi King 11-4 fav. 9 ran.

3.30 1, Carroll House (9-2); 2, Devizes (7-1); 3, Don Fiorenzo (20-1). Sharazan 5-4 fav. 18 ran.

4.0 1, Vivienda (12-1); 2, Late Matinee (20-1); 3, Shabanaz (7-1); 4, Realism (100-30 fav). 19 ran. NR: Amenaide.

Stratford

2.0 1, Splendid Magnolia (8-1); 2, Vulgaris (16-1); 3, Tiarum (7-1). On Impulse 15-8 fav. 12 ran.

2.30 1, Warner For Leisure (16-1); 2, Cottage Run (8-1); 3, Peter Anthony (100-30). River Rhein 3-1 fav. 15 ran.

3.0 1, Indamelody (4-1); 2, Wily Yeoman (9-2); 3, Royal To Do (15-2). Oyster Pond 100-30 fav. 9 ran.

3.30 1, Take No Trash (6-4 fav); 2, Steve King (8-1); 3, Anteskum (33-1). 21 ran. NR: Mount Harvard.

4.0 1, Bob Tisdall (5-2 jt-fav); 2, Bridgetown Lad (10-1); 3, Troop The Colour (12-1). Donald Davies 5-2 jt-fav. 16 ran.

4.30 1, Merimoore (2-1 fav); 2, Quarrat Al Ain (4-1); 3, Observer Corps (16-1); 4, El Galileo (33-1). 17 ran. NR: Violino Fandango.

5.0 1, Heyfleet (3-1 jt-fav); 2, Grayrose Double (12-1); 3, Impeccable Timing (12-1). Yiragan 3-1 jt-fav. 17 ran.

Leaders on the Flat

TRAINERS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Days since win	Level stake
H Cecil	178	84	45	1	+81.79
M Stoute	105	59	57	0	-1.02
B Hills	91	79	64	0	-22.59
L Cumani	78	51	29	0	+4.08
M H Easterby	67	69	39	10	-85.33
G Harwood	67	46	42	10	-97.41
J Dunlop	57	49	52	3	-150.80
M Brittain	54	59	59	4	-83.56
P Cole	53	54	53	2	-167.38
C Brittain	37	55	71	0	-170.83
W Hern	36	44	31	0	-53.20
A Stewart	36	29	23	6	+55.48

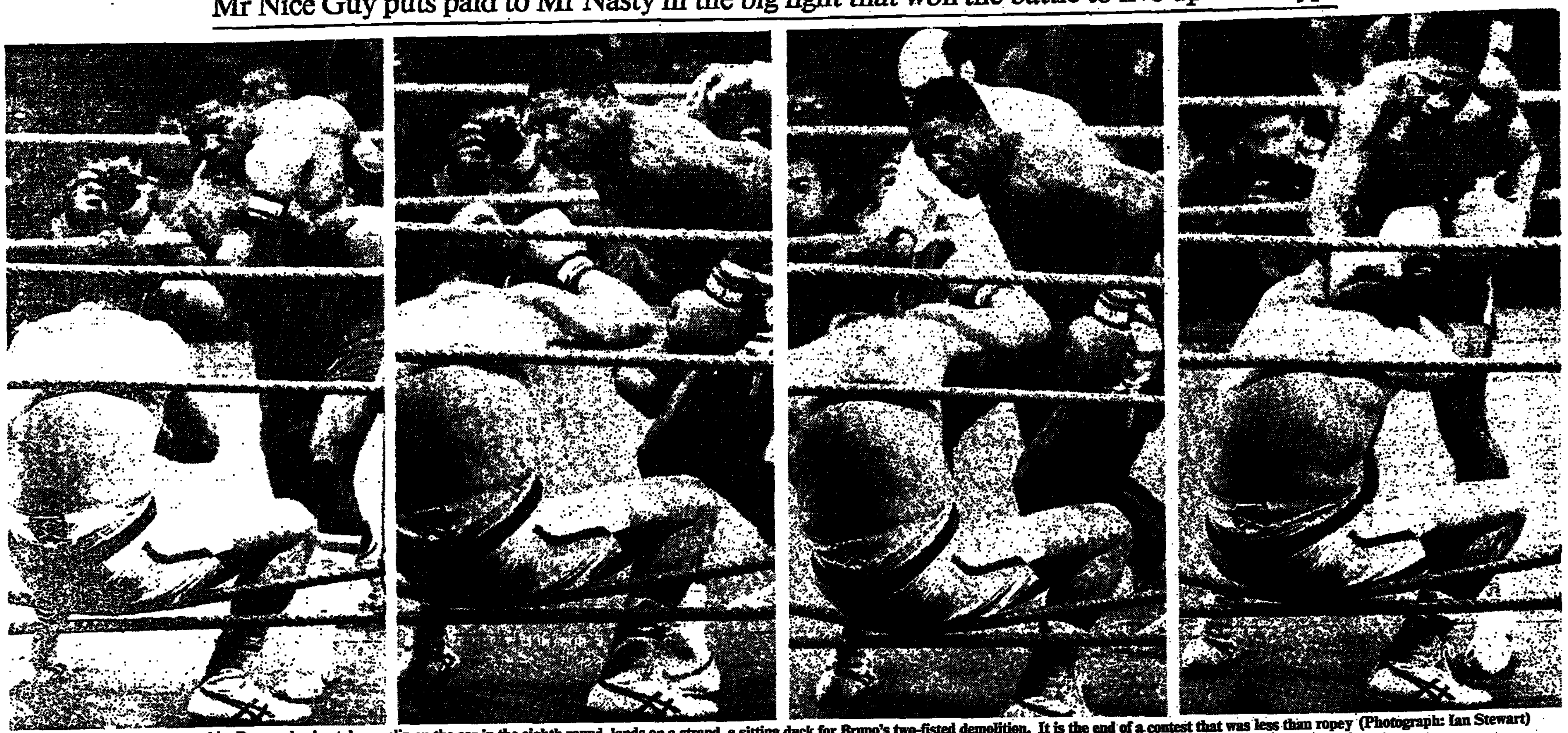
JOCKEYS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Losing sequence	Level stake
S Cauthen	187	109	88	5	-104.18
Pat Eddery	185	139	117	4	-119.57
R Cochrane	105	85	75	0	-140.87
W Carson	96	127	84	1	-221.51
W Swinburn	92	75	65	1	-146.08
M Birch	87	68	57	16	-44.11
J Reid	80	74	63	8	-86.66
M Roberts	72	63	69	0	+25.24
M Hills	70	65	52	7	+29.52
W Ryan	69	52	32	14	-41.52
T Ives	67	74	67	33	-58.12
G Duffield	63	65	57	6	-280.82

Blinkered first time

NOTTINGHAM: 2.0 Taranga. 2.30 Koo-Min. 3.30 Castle Ward. 4.0 Bali Legend, Rowlandsons Gems, Pen Bal Princess.

Mr Nice Guy puts paid to Mr Nasty in the big fight that won the battle to live up to its hype



The crafty art of ropemanship: *Bugner, having taken a clip on the ear in the eighth round,* lands on a strand, a sitting duck for Bruno's two-fisted demolition. It is the end of a contest that was less than ropey (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

Bruno on the trail of Tyson

By Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspondent

It was the end of a a perfect day at White Hart Lane. The "hero", Frank Bruno, got his man in the eighth round, the "villain", Joe Bugner, got a clip across the ear-hole. Joe Public got the result he wanted and Hearn, Duff and Lawless got the money. There were cheers for Bruno, who rode off West looking for Mike Tyson, and boos for Bugner, who high-tailed it East looking for the nearest night-safe and an acting career in Australia.

What went before the ending was a one-sided affair: Bruno looked good twisting his jab into Bugner's flat-iron face and Bugner looked awful charging across the ring pummelling hopefully at Bruno's washboard stomach and pinning him against the ropes. It would not have been difficult to have found a dozen people down the Edgware Road at that time of night to do that sort of thing better than the world No. 10.

An indication of what was to be expected from the Australian came when it was announced that he had weighed in at 18st 4½lb and not 17st 8lb. That was the last two-fingered gesture in the pre-fight hype.

No wonder Bugner did not attend the post-fight talk-out but passed the word along: "I am one of the greats. This is the end of an era. I go back to *Ali*, Liston and Frazier. Who else could have filled the house like this? I am retiring, I am going to continue my acting career."

The bout itself, far from having the quality of a world title eliminator, was not much more than a strenuous gym workout for Bruno, who weighed it at a trim 16st 4lb. Bugner was his moving punchbag. That made Bruno look sharper than ever before as he moved quickly to his left round the ring and jabbed away.

Bugner was, *as they* say down under, well and truly "jobbed." Sometimes Bugner's head was jolted back twice in quick succession. Bruno also unleashed some good, solid combinations to the body in the second and third rounds and left-rights in the sixth. The blows did not hurt Bugner terribly but Bruno looked the part shaping into the punches and the 30,000 *crowd* loved that.

Bugner did not win a round on my card, though he possibly shared the fifth. He landed only two worthwhile punches in the whole contest, a right to the body early and a right to the chin in the fourth.

The blow in the eighth round that sent Bugner reeling along the side of the ring and deposited him on the bottom ropes was a round-arm clip across the ear, not much different to the one little Tommy from across the street might receive fron Dad when *being horrid to his little sister*. It was not so much that Bugner was hurt when Bruno started hitting him on the ropes, twice to the head and twice to the jaw — all legitimate, as Bugner's hands were not on the ground — but the overweight Australian's legs had had enough.

Bravely though Bugner rose at eight, the referee, John Coyle, waved the contest over just as his corner threw in the towel to "save the most wonderful man in the world" from dragging his out-of-shape body around the ring any longer. The intervention, though one of compassion, was one that showed that the Australians had expected their man to run out of puff.

"I was very surprised how relaxed Bruno was," Bugner said. "I think he learnt from the big losses against Witherspoon and Bonecrusher Smith. I suited Frank's style".

The fact is that Bruno did not fear Bugner the momemt he learnt his ridiculous weight at the weigh-in. He and Terry Lawless, his manager, knew *that Bugner* had not trained and did not have the power, speed or stamina to pose a serious threat.

While Lawless said that he had no date yet for meeting Mike Tyson for the world title, June 18 was being pencilled in all the same. But if Bruno wants to stay in one piece he will keep well clear of Tyson.

Since he has not an earthly against the world champion and is not too badly off with £2 million or so to his name, it would make sense to go out on a high note and do something more constructive than getting his head smashed in.

OTHER RESULTS: Lightweight (8 rnds): Mark Reefer (Bethnal Green) bt Wayne Weeks (Aldgate), rsc 1st. Commonwealth light-welter championship (12 rnds): Tony Laing (GB) bt David Chibuye (Zambia), rsc 11th. Welter (8 rnds): David Taylor (US) bt Michael Hughes (GB), pts. Light-heavy (8 rnds): Mark Kaylor (GB) bt Jamie Howe (US), rsc 4th. Heavy (8 rnds): Gary Mason (Wandsworth) bt Andy Gerrard (Risca), rsc, sixth.

Cowdell's last chance

Just as Joe Bugner hardly needed to be asked if he was retiring, Pat Cowdell will know it is time to hang up his gloves for good should he lose — again — to Najib Daho at Aston Villa Leisure Centre tonight.

Cowdell, aged 34, had his British super-featherweight title taken away from him 17 months ago when the Morocco-born Daho, aged 28, sensatonally knocked him out in the first round. Now, *in the* rematch, the Manchester-based boxer can end the career of the former Olympic silver medallist and twice world championship contender.

Cowdell says: "For some reaon my mind was not on it last time — and I found out the hard way that nothing is cut and dried in boxing. But I've no intention of making the same mistake. I've put a lot of graft in and he should not live with me to be honest — our records show that. Being 34 in *boxing is the equivalent* of playing professional football at 50, but I've never been found wanting in terms of fitness."

Daho's manager, Jack Trickett, countered, however: "While it might take Najib longer, I think it's going to be the same result in the end."

Viewers upset by BBC

The Bruno versus Bugner bout was not confined to the ringside at White Hart Lane on Saturday night

Irate television viewers who intended to watch ITV's delayed coverage of the heavyweight contest phoned the BBC to complain after Bruno's victory was flashed up on screen *during their coverage of* snooker, the Rothman's grand prix from Reading, 15 minutes before ITV began their "exclusive" programme.

Ironically, viewers had two chances to find out the result of the match before the BBC decided to announce the news: either from BBC Radio 2, which transmitted the event live, or from ITV's teletext service, Oracle, which reported Bruno's win virtually as soon as Bugner was stopped.

"The BBC gave a service to BBC viewers," a spokeswoman said yesterday. "Only a few viewers complained, and we felt that there were many who *wanted to watch the* snooker, a programme that carried over ITV's coverage of the fight, but were interested to see the result. As we covered it live on radio, and Oracle had it on their screens, the news flash during the snooker was not the first time the result was reported."

Ringwise old man and boy who'done well'

COMMENTARY

David Miller

Chief Sports Correspondent

He was a good fighter as fighters go; and in the way all fighters ultimately go, he went. Finally. Old and bowed but in this instance with *some dignity*. And transparently a smarter fighter than the big-hearted but limited young man who beat him.

Taking eight rounds to dispose of Joe *Bugner* has not, in my opinion, added an ounce to any estimation of Frank *Bruno's* capability; indeed, I would say it has marginally diminished it. With respect to Jim Watt, a former world champion, I thought his comments on television were almost frivolously complimentary to the winner.

Bruno v Bugner did, however, prove a few things. Barry Hearn was justified in promoting the fight, which was superior as a *contest to anything expected by* many of the critics. Conversely, Hearn has much to learn in presentation. The official programme at £4 was legalized *mugging*. The 20 *minutes* preceding the fight was a shabby, small-time shambles, with a parade in the ring of inconsequential semi-personal*ities from television which had* even the punters derisively chanting "Who the — hell are you?"

Bugner let Bruno know who he was from the first 20 seconds when he twice rushed an opponent 11 years younger, hoping, with more optimism than judgement, to swamp him with swinging lefts and rights. Thereafter Bugner settled to play a predictably waiting, holding, leaning, shoving game, which has always partially been his style but now was obligatory for a fighter running out of options.

I thought two, possibly three, of the rounds were even. The event was also to prove what we already knew: that Bugner, for all his unappealing manner out of the ring, has been a boxes of some intelligence and ringcraft, and that Bruno, bless his gold-filled socks, still has difficulty thinking on his feet, a man waiting for a No. 9 bus who will not take a No. 27 even though it is passing the same destination.

Having weathered Bruno's left jab for four rounds and sustained nothing worse than a bleeding nose, Bugner was even willing, ponderous though he was at more than 18 stones, to attempt to attack in the fifth. He ducked and countered several leads by Bruno with an instinct that a boxer either has or has not. Bruno, repeated observation *suggests*, has not.

The boy done well, as they say; but it was that familiar steam engine without a driver going down a rail track with no points. The physical function is beautiful but there is no variation. For all the moral advantage that Bruno had against an opponent looking like Sunday's boned and rolled pork joint, he never appeared to have a plan for terminating the event with a big punch.

Perhaps, as was repeatedly suggested on the video I watched yesterday, Bruno was preserving his stamina, but for what? Against Bugner he should have been able to run three times as far and still remain the fresher. It was not as though he were trying to wear down the power of Tyson.

There was nothing elegant in much of Bugner's tactics. When he was warned for leaning with the elbow in the sixth, Bruno was looking less confident; Bugner was on *his feet* in bravado before the bell for the seventh, during which he half-caught Bruno with a right coming out of a clinch which was enough to tell Bruno he needed to do more than continue jabbing.

In the middle of the eighth it was as though a fuse had gone inside Bugner. The lights went out, the legs went solid. The high, two-handed guard that had remarkably protected his face from serious punishment dropped. Bruno moved in.

Yet the kill was not clean. The first time Bugner went *down, it* was more because he was caught off balance. The second time, he took the one real right-hander that Bruno landed. Even this was insufficient to prevent Bugner saying, within a few minutes of the fight being stopped, that he would rather not answer the question whether Bruno could become world champion. He merely commended him on his performance.

Bugner was more coherent in defeat than Bruno in victory and this characteristic should tell us *the likely outcome if the moment* ever arrives when Tyson is so short of opposition that the British boy is, ill advisedly, given his chance in the same ring. Even an *old rissole* such as Bugner was able to reconfirm, in one or two brief moments, that whenever Bruno has to go backwards, he does not know where he is.

Minnesota Twins come back to level World Series

The unlikely lads who need three hours of Dome magic

From Simon Barnes, Minneapolis

People keep saying that this has been a World Series without any stars. The Minnesota Twins are the lovable, crazy underdogs, St Louis Cardinals are the super efficient big boys, but where sports writers keep asking, are the names we will remember?

It seems to me that the big *name is Hubert H Humphrey:* the star of the Series is the Hubert H Humphrey Metrodome in Minneapolis: yes, we are back here at the Twins' home dome, a place that seems to have a strange life of its own, beneath whose roof reality seldom dares to intrude. The Twins had gone 3-2 down in the best of seven series, losing all they gained in St Louis, and they needed all the help the Metrodome could give them, if they were to suspend reality once again and come back.

But reality, it seems, had sneaked in somehow on a forged ticket. St Louis, the wise man's pick, the form team, the team with an almost Liverpool-like record, in their third World Series in six years, started to play with the passionless efficiency you associate with sustained success.

They built a 5-2 lead in the sixth game on Saturday afternoon, and looked capable of extending it at will throughout *the rest of the game*. Much of baseball is about establishing a psychological domination of the the Twins' Joe Straker, a man in his first season, was a beaten man. Kent Hrbek, the vowel-less local boy, cost the team runs by crassly getting himself picked off at second base. It was that kind of game: the World Series was coming to a quiet and anti-climatic end.

And then things changed. That demon that takes possession of underdogs came into the game. Baseball is, like football, one of those games in which wild inspiration, and collective will can outdo slickness, efficiency and even genius.

Score by innings										R	H	E
Minnesota	2	0	0	2	2	4	0	1	0	11	15	2
St Louis	1	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	X	5	11	0

Home runs: Minnesota: Baylor, Hrbek, St Louis: Herr.
R = runs H = hits E = errors

In one inning, the fifth, the Twins changed from losers to winners.

They scored four runs in the *inning to go 6-5 up, with* Don Baylor, the designated hitter (he who bats for the pitcher and does not field) cheerfully swatting a home run. It was one of those instant turnarounds, and the Cardinals were distinctly rattled. They were brutally shoved out of the way in their next inning, and then the Twins were back, their inspiration still blazing.

With *runners on second and* third, Baylor came back again, and the Cardinals decided to get clever. They played an intentional walk: that is, they *deliberately pitched four* wide ones at Baylor, so that he would not get the chance to hit another massive blow. Philosophically, he trotted to first; the bases were loaded; a *runner* on each.

The theory behind walking Baylor was that the batters behind him would be a much softer touch. So it proved: Brunansky gave a routine catch. Hrbek stepped out to bat, a man in the middle of a dreadful run of form with the bat, he would give no trouble at all.

Hrbek is one of those men that baseball specializes in: big and chunky, fat-faced, in fact distinctly overweight, looking *unathletic* and more than a little silly in his pyjama uniform, lower jaw constantly on the move. The first pitch he received, he swung: the ball sailed *clean out of sight*: home run: one, two, three runners trotted in to score, and behind them came Hrbek, waving, air-punching, yelling hoarsely at the top of his *voice though no one heard a* thing, wearing the entranced expression of a man whose dearest wish had been granted, and finally stamping on home plate with enough force to shatter it.

The Twins finally won 11-5, and the World Series goes into *the final game*, tied at 3-3, with the world or at least all of America to play for. The Cardinals need to put together three hours of their usual speed and efficiency: as *for the unlikely* lads of the Twins, they just need the Dome to provide them with three more hours of magic.

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HOCKEY

Long on short corners and short on goals

By Sydney Friskin

Despite a profusion of short corners and free hits, Slough, the champions, and Teddington failed to score in the Pizza Express London League premier division match on an artificial turf pitch at Feltham School yesterday.

Teddington, who had 13 short corners to the three obtained by Slough, played better hockey but there were sections in the crowd waiting for the magic moment in which Slough might slip through and score. It never came.

There were moments in the first half when both sides could have scored. Khehar hit a post from a short corner for Slough and Driver missed the target for Teddington from a similar award. *But it was Slough who* came closest, Middleton clearing from the line from Inder Ubhi after Meredith, the goalkeeper, had saved from *Maskery. Middleton, in fact,* had a superb game in Teddington's defence.

TEDDINGTON: G Meredith; C Cambum, J Middleton, P McGuire, I Driver, I Lang, A Billson, J Royce, R Benzies, N Barker, P Smith.
SLOUGH: J Clark; R Charlesworth, S Davatval, Manjit Flora, S Khehar, K Hanspal, K Saini, Bhaji Flora, C Maskery, Inder Ubhi, K Partington.
Umpires: C Brine, A D Budd (Southern Counties).

● Saturday's premier division London League match at Feltham between Southgate and Hounslow did not live up to its early promise. Southgate won 2-1 after taking the lead in the second minute through Western and having a shot by Batchelor cleared off the line by Rees a couple of minutes later.

Kerly increased Southgate's lead midway in the second half and Potter scored for Hounslow late in the game after starting the attack himself. Southgate fielded 13 of the 14 members of their squad, Clift and Welch coming on as substitutes, leaving Moulton the odd man out.

There was some heavy scoring in the Norwich Union East League premier division. On their own artificial turf pitch at Chigwell, Old Loughtonians, the champions, defeated Colchester 11-0 with goals from Nick Thompson (4), *Gladman* (3), Camilleri (3) and Morris. This was Colchester's first defeat.

Chelmsford, also at home, scored *four times without reply* against Blueharts. Cambridge City, however, were restricted to a 1-0 victory at Bury St Edmunds, Peter Over scoring from *a penalty stroke in the second* half.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

7.30 unless stated

Freight Rover Trophy Preliminary round

P Vale v Exeter

SUNDAY MIRROR COMBINATION: Brighton v Watford (7.15).

MACBAR SOUTH-WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: Swansea v Hereford (2.0).

GM ACCEPTANCE CUP: First round: Croydon v Welling; Farnborough v Yeovil.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Horwich v Goole; Mossley v Rhyl.

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Second division north: Harlow v Saffron Walden.

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Westgate Insurance Cup: First round: Corby v VS Rugby.

REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Army FA v Halls Brewery Hellenic League (at Aldershot).

OTHER SPORT

BOXING: British super-featherweight title: Najib Daho v Pat Cowdell (at Aston Villa Leisure Centre).

SNOOKER: Hofmeister World doubles championship: Preliminary rounds (at Portsmouth).

SQUASH RACKETS: World team championships: Preliminary rounds (at Cannons, London, Lambs, London; Princes, Bedfont; London South Bank; Windsor and Eton SRC): Spectrum open championship (at Willington, Durham).

TENNIS: LTA Women's indoor circuit (at Matchpoint Centre, Bramhall).

SPORT ON TV

WORLD CUP CRICKET: England v West Indies from Jaipur, India. BBC1: 8.40-8.55 a.m. (report); 11 a.m.-12 p.m. (live coverage of closing stages). BBC2: 6.35 p.m. (highlights).

GYMNASTICS: Review of the World championships in Rotterdam. BBC2: 3 p.m

SPORTSWORLD EXTRA: Tennis: AT and T Challenge final: John McEnroe v Paul Annacone. Boxing: International action. Football: European round-up. ITV: 1 a.m. (tomorrow).

CYCLING

Curran takes national hill climb title

By Peter Bryan

Paul Curran, Britain's amateur road race champion, won *his* second national individual title yesterday on the long climb of Rosedale Chimney Bank on the North Yorkshire moors. Curran, aged 26, beat his Manchester Wheelers team colleague, Chris Boardman, by only 0.2sec to take the national hill climb title after the pair had been level *at most of the checkpoints on* the 1,560-yard assent.

The pre-race favourite Steve Marchant, of South Croydon, the championship runner-up for the last three years, was third, almost nine seconds adrift. It was Curran's 25th victory of the season and at the end of this week he leaves for a fortnight's holiday in *Majorca — without a* bike.

When he returns he is likely to confirm that he will ride as a professional next year for a British sponsor. After yesterday's win he said: "I'm still in two minds whether I want to race as a professional but as I have not worked for *nearly four years it is time that I* started to get a regular income. The offer I have had is attractive and will not require me to live abroad, although I expect there *will be plenty of overseas races* to compete in."

Curran, who lives at Thornaby, had ridden the championship hill in training six times before yesterday's title trial. It was only half an hour before he was due to start that he decided on his gear ratios but admitted that he has listened too much to other people's advice and fitted, he later felt, too high a gear.

The half-mile section of one *in three* gradient was difficult but he said that its effects only became obvious when he was on the final and flatter section of the road. With Peter Longbottom finishing *third*, Curran led the Manchester Wheelers to victory in the team section.

RESULTS: 1, P Curran (Manchester Wheelers), 5min 22.08sec; 2, C Boardman (Manchester Wheelers), 5:23.00; 3, S Marchant (34th Nomads) 5:31.02. Team: 1, Manchester Wheelers.

SHOW JUMPING

Edgar provides Britain with impressive start

By a Special Correspondent

Liz Edgar and Everest Rapier gave Britain an impressive start to the tenth World Cup series with a decisive victory in the first European qualifier of the new season, staged on Saturday at the Helsinki International Horse Show.

First to go of the eight through to the final jump off, Mrs Edgar and the Countess of Inchcape's *talented eight-year-old gelding* went clear in what proved to be an unbeatable time. Although an early draw is often considered to be a disadvantage, Mrs Edgar actually *prefers it*. "*If I* just have to go in and do the best I can," she said, "I tend to go better than if I have to try to beat other people."

She certainly proved her point. Attempting in vain to improve on her time, all but one of her rivals made mistakes. Only Lena Nilsson riding Alert, *drawn* No. 2, *managed to com*plete the course without hitting a fence. Her well-deserved second place was Sweden's best ever performance in a World Cup competition.

Third place went to last year's winners, Wout Jan van der Schans and Olympic Treffer from The Netherlands, who had all three of their riders through to the last jump-off.

Mrs Edgar's *brother*, David Broome, who also had his eye on the coveted first prize, a Volvo estate car, had to be content with seventh place after Countryman *made three* mistakes. Harvey Smith, riding his Norrkoping grand prix winner Brook Street Shining Example, misjudged the tricky distance in the *combination in* the first jump off to finish equal ninth.

RESULTS: 1, Everest Rapier (E Edgar, GB), no faults, 32.58sec; 2, Alert (L Nilsson, Swe), no faults, 38.61; 3, Olympic Treffer (Wout Jan van der Schans, Neth), four faults, 32.84 seconds.

MOTOR RALLYING

Champion Gillanders

By a Special Correspondent

*For the second year in succes*sion the Marlboro /Autosport RAC National Rally Championship was decided on the final stage of the last event, when the Aberdeen garage owner, *David* Gillanders, took his MG Metro 6R4 to a four-second victory on the Audi Sport Rally on Saturday evening in Shropshire.

After a day dominated mainly by Scotsmen, with Steve Whiteford and Ken Brown taking turns to lead, Gillanders came with a burst, with two fastest times on the last pair of stages through a park in the middle of Telford to snatch victory and the championship by a *single point*.

In a rare tie for second place in the series, Trevor Smith, in a Ford Sierra Cosworth, dead-heated with Russell Brooks's Vauxhall Astra after 82 miles of competition, but Smith took the runner-up spot as he was four second quicker on the opening 12-mile stage in a Welsh forest.

The former world rally champion, Timo Salonen, finsihed fourth in his works *Mazda 323*, using the event as a test session for the Lombard RAC Rally next month and the factory Ford Sierra Cosworth driven by Mark Lovell took tenth place.

RESULTS: 1, D Gillanders (MG Metro), 83min 49sec; 2, P Doran (MG Metro), at 4sec; 3, K Wood (MG Metro), at 20sec; 4, T Salonen (Mazda 323), at 48sec; 5, W Barton (MG Metro), at 52sec.
NATIONAL RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL POSITIONS: 1, Gillanders, 140 points; 2, T Smith, 139; 3, R Brooks, 134; 4, G Middleton, 124; 5, Barton, 108.

Adams in charge

Tulsa, (AFP) — The United States Amateur Boxing Federation has called up the United States army trainer, Ken Adams, to take charge of the American team for the Olympic Games in Seoul.

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CRICKET

England need to live up to Indians' sustained endeavour

From Alan Lee, Calcutta

With the World Cup final in Calcutta now less than a fortnight away, an enormous workforce of labourers remains in action round the clock at the city's awesome Eden Gardens to ensure that the refurbished stadium is completed in time.

When New Zealand played Zimbabwe there on Friday, it was plain that much remains to be done. Rebuilt stands still looked half finished and the ambitious new electronic scoreboard failed to function, which infuriated the New Zealand captain, Jeff Crowe. "It was difficult to know what was going on out there," he complained.

The Indian way of life, however, is to dice with deadlines. There are those in high places here who cheerfully admit that their country thrives on the appearance of chaos, but that things always get done in time. That, doubtless, will be the case at Eden Gardens, where work on the £500,000 project to modernize the great ground has been continuing at hectic pace since February.

More than 2,000 labourers have been engaged on shift work at the stadium, which is now 80 per cent covered and provides seating for 93,000. There were, amazingly, more than 50,000 spectators on Friday — a crowd which John Traicos, the Zimbabwe captain, estimated to be 10 times the figure his side could hope to attract at home. But this can partly be explained by the ruling that anyone buying a ticket for the final also had to buy one for this group game.

Clive Lloyd, who watched the game, ventured the opinion that Eden Gardens is now the best cricket stadium in the world; certainly, assuming the work is finished on time, it is another feather in the cap of the Indian administrators who, against heavy odds and cynical expectations, have managed to make this competition run smoothly.

The distances teams must travel in the sub-continent are so enormous, the travel systems so traditionally erratic, and the cultural conditions so diverse, that far too many of us were fearful that the World Cup might degenerate into a shambles of dissatisfied, disorientated players. In fact, nothing of the kind has even been threatened, which is greatly to the credit of the men in the Cup's control room in the basement of Delhi's Taj Palace Hotel, from where players, umpires and officials have been dispatched to far flung destinations on aircraft which, almost without exception, have run to time.

WORLD CUP CRICKET

Members of the game's hierarchy are beginning to gather. Yesterday, Raman Subba Row, the chairman of the Test and County Cricket Board, and John Warr, the president of MCC, flew in to Delhi, accompanied by Englnad's chairman of selectors, Peter May. They will all be in Jaipur today for England's vital match with the West Indies, when May will have some catching up to do. He has been unable to follow the last week of the competition on television as the power has been off at his Surrey home since last weekend's gales.

While England meet their destiny in Jaipur, the steamy industrial city of Ahmedabad hosts today's other match. India, now brimming with confidence, are no longer so anxious about whether they will beat Zimbabwe, but about how many runs they can amass while doing so. A big score may be crucial to their hopes of winning the group and earning a home semi-final in Bombaby, as their run-rate is currently superior to Australia's by only 0.09 per over.

Australia, of course, are not yet sure to go through. New Zealand, having survived a second scare against Zimbabwe, can still displace them, though their chances must be rated slim. They have to beat Australia tomorrow in Kapil Dev's home town of Chandigarh, and then win their final game against India in Nagpur.

Hoisted to the top of the world: Miss Dobre, the smiling leader of the Romanian renaissance

Pakistan power to victory

Faisalabad, Pakistan, (Reuter) — Pakistan's relentless World Cup progress proved too much for Sri Lanka here yesterday, the group B leaders winning by 113 runs.

Pakistan, already through to the last four, made sure of finishing top of their section with this latest victory and will play in the first semi-final, against the group A runners-up, in Lahore on November 4.

The game was short on both significance and tension, but the crowd filling the Iqbal stadium in warm sunshine enjoyed some swashbuckling strokeplay from Imran, the Pakistan captain, and Akram, the all-rounder.

Building around Salim Malik's maiden one-day international century, Pakistan made 297 for seven in their 50 overs. In reply, Sri Lanka, having lost some early wickets cheaply, soon lost interest in chasing the target and settled for saving face. They batted solemnly through to 184 for eight.

Akram and Imran, who had won the toss, gave an awesome display of power hitting with three sixes and a string of fours between them. They both scored 39.

Later a bruised ankle kept Imran from completing his bowling quota in the match but he insisted the injury was not serious. Imran winced soon after bowling the second ball of the fourth of his allotted 10 overs, and called on Mansoor Elahi to bowl instead.

"I thought I had damaged the ankle badly but luckily it is not serious, just a bruised ankle as I bowled from wide off the crease," Imran said.

Imran said it was better to take precautions as Pakistan have to play their next match against the West Indies in Karachi on Friday. "I am not prepared to take any chances at all and that is why I asked Salim Jaffer as well to have rest," he said. Jaffer missed the match after hurting his ankle in practice.

CUP DETAILS

Group A

	P	W	L	Pts	Rate
India	4	3	1	12	5.31
Australia	4	3	1	12	5.20
New Zealand	4	2	2	8	5.06
Zimbabwe	4	0	4	0	3.70

REMAINING MATCHES (India): Today (Ahmedabad): India v Zimbabwe; Tomorrow (Chandigarh): Australia v New Zealand; Oct 30 (Cuttack): Australia v Zimbabwe; Oct 31 (Nagpur): India v New Zealand.

Group B

	P	W	L	Pts	Rate
Pakistan	5	5	0	20	5.08
West Indies	4	2	2	8	5.27
England	4	2	2	8	5.03
Sri Lanka	5	0	5	0	3.97

REMAINING MATCHES (Pakistan unless stated): Today (Jaipur, India): England v West Indies; Oct 30 (Pune, India): England v Sri Lanka; Oct 30 (Karachi): Pakistan v West Indies.

● *Top two teams qualify for semi-finals. Where teams have equal number of points, their positions are determined first by number of wins, then by run rate.*

SEMI-FINALS: Nov 4 (Lahore): Winners Group B v Runners-up Group A; Nov 5 (Bombay): Winners Group A v Runners-up Group B.

FINAL: Nov 8: Calcutta.

PAKISTAN

Rameez Raja c and b Anurasiri	32
Mansoor Akhtar b Jeganathan	33
Salim Malik b J R Ratnayeke	100
Javed Miandad run out	1
Wasim Akram c Ranatunga b de Silva	39
Ijaz Ahmed c and b John	30
*Imran Khan run out	39
Manzoor Elahi not out	4
†Saleem Yousuf not out	11
Extras (lb 6, w 2)	8
Total (7 wkts, 50 overs)	297

Abdul Qadir and Tauseef Ahmed did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-64, 2-72, 3-77, 4-137, 5-197, 6-264, 7-285.

BOWLING: J R Ratnayeke 10-0-58-1; John 8-1-53-1; De Mel 10-0-53-0; Jeganathan 9-1-45-1; Anurasiri 7-0-45-1; De Silva 6-0-37-1.

SRI LANKA

R S Mahanama run out	8
†D S B P Kuruppu c Yousuf b Imran	0
J R Ratnayeke run out	22
R S Madugalle c Yousuf b Manzoor	15
A Ranatunga c and b Qadir	50
*L R D Mendis b Qadir	58
P A De Silva not out	13
A L F De Mel b Qadir	0
S Jeganathan c Saleem b Miandad	1
V John not out	1
Extras (b 4, nb 2, lb 4, w 6)	16
Total (8 wkts, 50 overs)	184

S D Anurasiri did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-11, 3-41, 5-170, 6-173, 7-173, 8-179.

BOWLING: Imran 3.2-1-13-1; Akram 7-0-34-0; Manzoor Elahi 9.4-0-32-1; Tauseef 10-1-23-0; Qadir 10-0-41-3; Malik 7-1-29-0; Miandad 3-0-5-1.

YACHTING

Gilmour wins in fine style

Australia's Peter Gilmour won the second round of the world match race championship off Perth yesterday, dealing out a 9-0 drubbing to his rivals in the Australia Cup, just a month after winning the Liberty Cup in New York (Barry Pickthall writes).

Chris Dickson, the former New Zealand America's Cup skipper, was second yesterday with seven wins, followed by Eddie Warden Owen, of Britain, sharing third place with Greg Tawasistjerna from Canada and the Australian Colin Beashel.

RESULTS: 1, P Gilmour (Aus), 9 wins; 2 C Dickson (NZ), 7 wins; 3 equal, E Warden Owen, G Tawasistjerna (Can), C Beashel (Aus), 6 wins; 6, G Lucas (Aus), 4 wins

● Ann Keats moved a step nearing winning the women's world qualifying trials at Holyhead yesterday when she finished second in gale force winds to Christine Brookes With winds gusting up to force 7, it was only the Laser sailors using small radial rigs who could contend with the conditions and the 470 fleet was forced to watch the spectacle from the shore.

RESULTS: 1, N Ponsford (Merioneth YC); 2, A Keats (Parkstone YC); 3, C Brookes (Maiden YC). Overall (after 3 races): 1, A Keats, 2pts; 2, C Brookes, 14.

Global gold for new Comaneci

By Peter Aykroyd

The surprise conquest of the women's overall title by Aurelia Dobre at the Rotterdam world championships on Saturday crowns a year of success by Romanian gymnasts not experienced since the time of the great Nadia Comaneci.

In 1976 Miss Comaneci toppled the famous Ludmila Tourischeva, of the Soviet Union, to become Romania's first Olympic champion. Miss Dobre has now emulated her national heroine by upstaging Yelena Shushunova, the Soviet global champion, to take the world gold medal.

On Friday the Romania women's squad had embarrassed their traditional Russian rivals by capturing the team title, a feat they had not achieved since 1979 when they were led by Miss Comaneci.

The Romanian renaissance was evident last May when Daniela Silivas seized the European title from Miss Shushunova and became a strong possibility for the world crown. But Miss Silivas lost her chance with errors on the beam and asymmetric bars, so the battle for the title was fought out intensely between Miss Shushunova and Miss Dobre, who had entered the final with a narrow lead.

In the end the experience and coolness of the Soviet girl lost out to the consistency and determination of the Romanian, so reminiscent of Miss Comaneci.

RESULTS: Men: All-around competition: 1, D Bilozerchev (USSR), 118.375 pts; 2, Y Korolev (USSR), 118.350; 3, V Artemov (USSR), 118.125; 4, S Kroll (EG), 117.400; 5, Z Borkai (Hun), 117.250. Individual apparatus: Floor: 1, Lou Yun (China), 19.875; 2, Artemov, 19.675; 3, L Gueraskov (Bul), 19.650. Pommel Horse: equal 1, Bilozerchev and Borkai, 19.775; 3, Gueraskov, 19.725. Rings: 1, Korolev, 19.875; equal 2, Bilozerchev and Li Ning (China), 19.825. Vault: equal 1, Lou Yun and Kroll, 19.938; 3, D Kolev (Bul), 19.838. High bar: 1, Bilozerchev, 19.825; 2, C Hebert (Can), 19.750; equal 3, H Behrendt (EG) and Borkai, 19.725. Parallel bars: 1, Artemov, 19.800; 2, Bilozerchev, 19.775; 3, Sven Tippelt (EG) 19.725.
Women: All-round competition: 1, A Dobre (Rom), 79.650; 2, E Shushunova (USSR), 79.487; 3, D Silivas (Rom), 79.200; 4, S Baitova (USSR), 79.062; 5, O Omeliantchik (USSR), 78.700. Individual apparatus: Vault: 1, Shushunova, 19.894; 2, Eugenia Golea (Rom), 19.857; 3, Dobre, 19.844. Beam: 1, Dobre, 19.950; 2, Shushunova, 19.775; equal 3, E Szabo (Rom) and S Boginskaya (USSR), 19.737. Floor: equal 1, Shushunova and Silivas, 20.000; 3, Dobre, 19.950. Assymetric bars: equal 1, Silivas and D Thummler (EG), 19.925; 3, Shushunova, 19.913. Final team positions: 1, Romania, 395.40pts; 2, Soviet Union, 394.95; 3, East Germany 389.60; 4, China, 386.85; 5, Bulgaria, 386.725; 6, United States, 383.40; 7, Hungary, 381.55; 8, Canada, 383.33; 9, Japan, 378.062; 10, South Korea, 378.05; 11, Czechoslovakia, 377.925; 12, Spain, 377.15. (These teams qualify for the 1988 Olympic Games).

GOLF

Johnson's victory raises hopes of US invitation

By Mitchell Platts, Golf Correspondent

Trish Johnson won the Woolmark Womens Matchplay championship when she beat Marie-Laure de Lorenzi Taya 4 and 2 at Moor Park yesterday afternoon.

The final was a delightful encounter between two players new to the professional scene this year. Their golf was of the highest calibre and a true reflection of the impression they have made during the summer. Indeed, Miss Johnson needed two fours to be round in 66 — four under par — in the afternoon, following a 68 in the morning.

There was more at stake than just the title. Both had two victories to their credit entering this event and the £6,000 which Miss Johnson earned increased her official winnings for the season to a record £33,888. With her triumph she moved £142 ahead of Mrs Taya in the tussle for Rookie-of-the-Year honours.

Moreover, Miss Johnson is now fifth in the Woolmark Order of Merit. So by winning the Spanish Open, which starts tomorrow and brings the curtain down on the 1987 Womens Professional Golfers Association season, she could claim third place. That would give Miss Johnson, who had a 100 per cent record in the Curtis Cup won by Great Britain and Ireland last year, an invitation to the Dinah Shore tournament on the US LPGA tour next season. She has already won her player's card following her excellent six-shot win in the qualifying event at Sweetwater, Texas, 10 days ago.

"It has been a marvellous couple of weeks for me and a thoroughly enjoyable year," said Miss Johnson. "I didn't know what to expect when I turned professional and I've discovered that the standard of play is extremely high. You could get away with a poor round as an amateur but you cannot do that in this world. Next year, however, I'm hoping to play mostly in America — although I've yet to confirm my full programme."

Miss Johnson lost the 2ndand 4th holes — she was bunkered on both occasions — in the morning to be two down, but by lunch she was back on level terms. She fell behind again at the 3rd in the afternoon, when she hit her approach through the green, and she had to hole from six feet to halve the 5th in eagle threes after Mrs Taya had hit her second to three feet.

Mrs Taya, however, lost the 7th to a birdie and Miss Johnson went ahead at the 10th where she was down for a par. She stretched her lead with a putt of 30 feet for a birdie at the 12th but lost the 13th to a two when Mrs Taya hit her nine-iron tee shot to 18 inches. However, Miss Johnson won the next three holes.

Dale Reid lost the play-off for third place to Katrina Douglas at the 19th. Even so, with winnings now of £51,565, she need only survive the half-way cut in the Spanish Open to finish No .1 in the Woolmark Order of Merit this year.

RESULTS (GB unless stated) Quarter-finals: D Reid bt R Comstock (US), 2 holes; M L de Taya (Fr), bt B Huke, 2 holes; K Douglas bt S Strudwick, 4 and 3; T Johnson bt J Forrest, at 20th. Semi-final: Taya bt Reid, 1 hole; Johnson bt Douglas, 1 hole. Final: Johnson bt Taya, 4 and 2. Third place play-off: Douglas bt Reid, at 19th

George scrapes home

Freddy George, the England international, and his partner, David Lewis, yesterday clinched the London amateur foursomes title for the Beaconsfield club for the first time since 1978 (Alan Booth writes). They beat Roehampton by one hole over Moor Park's High Course.

George, aged 21, winner of the England county champions title this year, and Lewis, had seen a two-hole lead after three holes turn into a one-hole deficit by the seventh against Roehampton's Tony Paterson and Michael Low.

After that, neither pair could gain more than a one-hole advantage. Paterson and Low finally had their hopes dashed at the 18th, where Paterson's tee shot hit a tree

RESULTS: London Amateur Foursomes: Final: Beaconsfield (F George, D Lewis) bt Roehampton (T Paterson, M Low), 1 hole. Semi-finals: Beaconsfield bt East Berks (S Barwick, J Brant), 3 and 2; Roehampton bt Porters Park (R Latham, P Tolley), 2 and 1.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Little satisfaction in Britain's romp

By Keith Macklin

Great Britain 42
Papua New Guinea 0

Midway through the second half of this Whitbread Trophy World Cup international, the Central Park electronic scoreboard showed 40-0 to Britain. It was actually 36-0 at the time, and perhaps the scoreboard operator was, like the rest of us, numbed into apathy, or was merely anticipating the inevitable, the seventh Great Britain try, which duly arrived.

The only real satisfaction to be gained from this totally one-sided game was the gaining of two World Cup points by Great Britain. As a match it was no contest. At the start, the Kumuls attempted to display their adventurous attacking skills, but when they came up against some solid tackling and marking, the attacks fell into disarray.

When Great Britain attacked, the flimsiness of the Kumuls' defence was soon exposed. Lacking height and weight, they were easily brushed aside, and the writing was on the wall in the opening minutes when Ford got over the line only to be recalled for a forward pass.

It was a brief reprieve for the tour team, as minutes later Hanley and Ford combined down the left-hand touchline and Ford took an inside pass to romp to the posts with nonchalant ease. From then on it was largely one-way traffic to the Kumuls' line with only occasional bursts of defiance to lift the siege.

However, the bursts were short-lived and doomed to failure. At the other end, Britain's tries came with predictable regularity from Edwards (2), Medley, Hanley, Lydon and Gregory, and Stephenson kicked all seven goals. All the newcomers did well, particularly Britain's man of the match, the powerful young Leeds forward, Paul Medley.

SCORERS: Great Britain: Tries: Edwards (2), Ford, Hanley, Medley, Lydon, Gregory. Goals: Stephenson (7).

GREAT BRITAIN: S Hampson (Wigan); D Drummond (Warrington), D Stephenson (Wigan), J Lydon (Wigan), P Ford (Bradford N); S Edwards (Wigan), A Gregory (Wigan); K Ward (Castleford), P Groves (St Helens), B Case (Wigan), A Goodway (Wigan), P Medley (Leeds), E Hanley (Wigan, captain).

PAPUA NEW GUINEA: D Kovae; A Krewanty, L Atoi, B Numapo (captain), K Saea; D Haili, T Kila; J Tep, R Heni, A Lomutopa, M Kombra, B Waketsi, A Taumaku.
Referee: F Desplats (France).

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS

GALASHIELS: Scottish national cross country relay championships: 1, Cambuslang, 48min 21sec; 2, Springburn, 48:33; 3, Spango Valley, 48:51; 4, Edinburgh Southern, 48:57.
FRANKFURT: Marathon: 1, L Robertson (GB), 2hr 13min 30sec; 2, H Steffny (WG), 2:15:15; 3, I Ellis (GB) 2:15:40. Women: A Holtkamp (WG), 2:45:19
SURESNES, France: 7.8-kilometre race: 1, D Clarke (GB), 20min 47sec; 2, B Levant (Fr), 20:50; 3, Mike Bishop (GB), 20:53; 4, M McLoughlin (GB), 20:55. Other British placings: 6, P Makepeace, 21:14; 8, G Crowther, 21:25. Women (3.8km): 1, P Demily (Fr) 11min 44sec; 2, P Fudge (GB), 11:44. Other placing: 5, M Donohoe (Ire), 12:00.
LIPHOOK: Haslemere 10-kilometre race: 1, G Butcher (Portsmouth), 31min 36sec; 2, M Howard (Phoenix), 31:37; 3, J Grant (Aldershot, Farnham and District), 31:38. Team: Havant. Veterans: Over 40: M Duff (Aldershot, Farnham and District), 32:22. Over 50: M Barratt (Ealing and Southall), 34:49.
ASHTEAD: 10-kilometre race: M Hartley (Cambridge H), 31min 34sec. Women: P Shore (Burnham Joggers), 38:18.
CAMBORNE: Festival 15-kilometre race: 1, J Carswell (Bracknell), 1hr 25min 40 sec; 2, S Gwynne (Belgrave), 1:27:02; 3, C Martin (Mile High Runners), 1:28:10. Team: Cornwall. Veterans: D Collins (Mile High Runners), 1:29:29. Women: S Walker (Moorhaven), 1:47:21.
HARLOW: Unigate marathon: 1, N Sira (Windsor, Slough and Eton), 2hr 22min 52sec; 2, B Watson (South Kent), 2:27:38; 3, P Jones (Bournemouth), 2:29:52. Team: South Kent. Women: M McColl (Bishop's Stortford), 3:07.07.
LEEDS: Marathon: 1, T Cluderay (Valley Striders), 2hr 25min 17sec; 2, T Bean (Valley Striders), 2:25:41; 3, G Ineson (Sutton-in-Ashfield), 2:28:17. Veterans: Over 50: A Dunn (Stockport), 2:48:56. Women: C Brown (Dumfries), 3:07:59. Half-marathon: 1, R Bailey (Bingley), 1hr 08min 15sec; 2, D Pearson (Wolverhampton and Bilston), 1:08:55; 3, F Taylor (Bingley), 1:11:02. Women: A Ward (Leeds City) 1:18:06.
STROUD: Half-marathon: 1, R Nash (Westbury), 1hr 05min 46sec; 2, A Cole (Newport), 1:05:56; 3, A Jones (Newport), 1:06:55. Team: Cheltenham. Veterans: S Cowles (Oxford City), 1:07:29. Women: 1, S Walters (Oxford City), 1:18:58; 2, Z Marchant (City of Bath), 1:20:01; 3, S Hales (Oxford City), 1:21:17.
HEADINGTON: 5-kilometre race: 1, R Gardner (Woodstock), 27min 04sec; 2, D English (Abingdon), 27:40; 3, N Baker (Belgrave), 27:50. Veterans: P Dowty (Witney), 28:08. Women: E Lee (Gloucester), 32:27

BADMINTON

ESBJERG: Danish Open championships: Men's singles: Semi-finals: T Carlsen (Den) bt M Frost (Den), 15-5, 18-17; D Hall (Eng) bt P-E Hoyer-Larsen (Den), 15-8, 15-9. Final: Carlsen bt Hall, 15-7, 15-4. Men's doubles: Final: R Sidek and J Sidek (Malaysia) bt P Jonsson and J-Erik Antonsson (Swe), 15-11, 15-7. Women's singles: Semi-finals: Chung Sung-Suk (South Korea) bt K Larsen (Den), 8-11, 12-9, 11-4; Lee Young-Suk (South Korea) bt F Elliott (Eng), 11-4, 11-2. Final: Lee Young-Suk bt Chung Sung-Suk, 11-3, 11-5. Women's doubles: Final: A Tokuda and Y Tago (Japan), bt G Clark and G Gowers (Eng), 15-7, 15-10. Mixed doubles: Semi-finals: M Christiansen (Den) and M Bengtsson (Swe) bt P Buch and G Mogensen (Den), 15-8, 15-9; T Lund and P Dupont (Den) bt J Paulsen (Den) and G Gowers (Eng), 15-6, 15-11. Final: Christiansen and Bengtsson bt Lund and Dupont, 15-12, 15-5.

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: Belle Vue 41, Reading 37; Hackney 46, Wolverhampton 32; Oxford 46, Cradley Heath 38; Cradley Heath 41, Reading 37; Coventry 46, Belle Vue 32; Swindon 36, Coventry 42; Swindon 48, Sheffield 29.
NATIONAL LEAGUE: Peterborough 47, Arena Essex 31, Berwick 60, Rye House 18; Stoke 40, Peterborough 35; Eastbourne 55, Edinburgh 22.
TUNNEL TROPHY: Second leg: Canterbury 42, Arena Essex 38 (Arena Essex win 80-76 on agg).

BASKETBALL

CARLSBERG LEAGUE: Oldham Celtics 85, Birmingham Bullets 86; Bracknell Tigers 102, Leicester Riders 94; Draper Tools Solent 105, MIM Livingston 94; Alphaprint Hemel/Watford 77, BPCC Derby 71; Sunderland 76'ers 97, Polycell Kingston 103; Bolton and Bury Giants 87, Sharp Manchester United 85.
NATIONAL LEAGUE: Cardiff 81, Aberdare 88; Stockport 78, Middlesbrough 66; JHB Dil Plymouth 104, Lofty's Travel Ellesmere Port 89; Gateshead 105, Stevenage 91; Sportsworld Market Harborough 92, Tower Hamlets 129.
NATIONAL WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Crystal Palace 63, Polycell Kingston 67; Team Stocks Ipswich 50, London Jets 48; Nottingham Wildcats 52, London YMCA 76; Typhoo Sheffield 80; Stockport Louvolite 54.

BOWLS

McCARTHY AND STONE INDOOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP: Second round: East: City of Ely 108, Bedford 46; Diss 69, Wymondham Dell 90; Gallow 69, County Arts 93; Haverhill 81, Sudbury 70; Huntingdon 84, Lakenheath 78; Norfolk and Norwich 87, Browston Hall 79; Peterborough 81, March 69; Sole Bay 77, Great Yarmouth 72. London: Century 69, Rushmoor 71; Croydon 83, Deangate Ridge 73; Crystal Palace 73, Old Coulsdon 71; Cyphers 148, Deptford 40; Dartford 97, Temple 67; Egham 75, Cambridge Park 70; Elmbridge 70, Paddington 92; Wey Valley 86, Hounslow 59. South: Angel 86, Graftons 75; Falaise 85, Folkestone 59; Five Rivers 61, Atherley 75; Preston 101, Margate 58; Victory 76, Dolphin 83; Wealden 64, Egerton Park 83; Worthing 80, Worthing Pavilion 85. North: Ashington 55, Stanley 101; Boldon 63, Saltburn 102; Bowlers 71, Scunthorpe 79; Central and South West Durham 105, Great Aycliffe 93; Cumbria 108, Hebburn 46; Darlington 75, Hartlepool 98; Huddersfield 51, Blackpool 102; Oldham 71, Richardsons 69; Park View 65, Consett 94; Sunderland 94, Newcastle 74; Swindon 89, Hull and District 76; Tynedale 54, Concordia 112. Midlands: Bassetlaw 79, Ashfield 74; Coventry 108, Birmingham 55; Dunholme 82, Boston 115; Erewash 97, Alfreton 70; Leicester 83, Northampton 84; Lincoln 86, Nottingham 82; Rugby 77, Erdington Court 84; Vernon Turner 99, Wellingborough 53. South East: Basildon 82, Arun 98; Handy Cross 97, Bletchley 78; Desborough 94, Stoke Mandeville 67; Falcon 81, Essex County 92; Ilford 75, Southend 66; Ipswich 119, Felixstowe 50; Isle 94, Stevenage 65; Towerlands 68, Barking 74; Whiteknights 99, West Berkshire 82. South West: Christie Miller 86, Bath 71; Clevedon 85, Bristol 83; Nailsea 78, Gloucester 79; Northavon 46, Cotswold 115. West: Budleigh 80, Plymouth Combined Services 108; Dawlish 86, Plymouth 76; Ilminster 98, Bridport 70; Taunton Deane 88, Moorfleet 87; Torbay 74, Exonia 69; Wellington 45, Victoria Street 117; Wellworthy 77, Minehead 59; West Cornwall 63, Bodmin 95.

CANOEING

BALA: National slalom championships: Men: Canadian singles: 1, J Vidmar (Yug), 3min 46.90sec; 2, G Marriott (Nottingham) 3:52.90; 3, P Brain (Stratford on Avon), 3:59.40. Canadian doubles: 1, G Brown and A Malde (Scotland), 4min 02.90sec; 2, C Richardson and A Thompson (Shepperton), 4:23.50; 3, C Arrowsmith and P Brain (Stratford on Avon) 4:31.30. Kayak: 1, B Deppe (WG), 3min 14.35sec; 2, R Smith (Tees), 3:16.46; 3, R Wright (Shepperton) 3:18.52. Women: Kayak: 1, K Davies (Gloucester) 3min 54.20sec; 2, R Fox (Hemel Hempstead), 4:06.40; 3, L Tipper (Nottingham), 4:15.20.

CYCLO-CROSS

RUTLAND (Sheffield, 13 miles): 1, G Young (Paragon), 1hr 03min 10sec; 2, R Dane (Paragon), at 4:22; 3, G Cottman (Leicester), at 5:39.

TABLE TENNIS

SCOTRAIL NATIONAL LEAGUE: First division: Greaves Sport 8, Fileaport 2; Paisley 4, Korrugal 6; Irvine 5, Dumbarton 5; Murrayfield 5, Greenock 5.

CYCLING

DORTMUND: Six-day race: Leading positions after second night: 1, D Clark (Aus) and R Hermann (Liechtenstein), 138pts; 2, V Drehl (WG) and P Bincoletto (It), 105; 3, J Kristen (WG) and E de Wilde (Bel), 1 lap behind, 100; 4, R Günther (WG) and A Doyle (GB), 1 lap behind, 72.
BARCELONA: Montjuich classic (Spanish unless stated): 1, A Pino, 1hr 09min 41sec; 2, J Zoetemelk (Neth), 1:12:05; 3, V Belda, 1:12:08; 4, P Munoz, 1:12:14; 5, M Lejarreta, 1:12:31. Other placing: 10, S Kelly (Ire), 1:13:37

FOOTBALL

SANTIAGO: World youth championship: Semi-final: Yugoslavia 2, East Germany 1.
KIRKKONUMMI: European women's championship qualifying round: Finland 1, England 2.

GOLF

SYDNEY: New South Wales open championship: Leaders after third round (Australian unless stated): 210: G Parry, 65, 71, 74. 217: W Riley, 70, 75, 72; L Trevino (US), 73, 72, 72. 218: P Foley, 73, 72, 73; R Davis, 72, 72, 74; R Mackay 74, 69, 75. 219: M Colandro (US), 73, 75, 71; J Anderson (Can), 72, 76, 71; M Harwood, 76, 72, 71; I Baker-Finch, 73, 73, 73; W Smith, 72, 73, 74; R Gibson (Can), 72, 73, 74; T Gale, 71, 73, 75. 220: J Woodland, 74, 73, 73; J Benepe (US), 74, 71, 75; P Fowler, 74, 69, 77. 221: K Tripled (Can), 72, 77, 72; L Peterson, 76, 71, 74; C Warren, 73, 73, 75; M Cole (Can), 71, 75, 75; L Stephen, 73, 71, 77. Final round postponed until today.
TUCSON: Open tournament: Leaders after third round (US unless stated): 197: F Zoeller, 67, 66, 64. 199: H Sutton, 69, 62, 68. 201: M Reid, 64, 69, 68; C Beck, 69, 65, 67; J Haas, 68, 69, 65. 202: B Sander, 68, 64, 70. 203: C Stadler, 69, 67, 67; M Calcavecchia, 67, 71, 65; D Barr, 68, 67, 68; D Frost (SA), 68, 67, 68. 204: P Azinger, 71, 63, 70; L Mize, 67, 72, 65. 205: F Couples, 68, 66, 71; P Stewart, 70, 63, 72; D Pohl, 71, 64, 70. 206: S Pate, 69, 68, 69; M Springer, 70, 67, 69; T Dodds (SA), 71, 69, 66; P Jacobsen, 70, 67, 69. 207: T Simpson, 70, 68, 69; R Thompson, 71, 68, 70; G Burns, 67, 70, 70; E Dougherty, 70, 69, 68.
CHRISTCHURCH, New Zealand: Commonwealth women's championship: Canada drew with New Zealand, 3-3 (Canadian names first. Foursomes: G Anderson and J Wyatt bt J Cooke and L Douglas, 2 and 1; A Bendick and J Medicott bt B Ormsby and D Smith, 4 and 3. Singles: Anderson lost to Douglas, 1 hole; Wyatt bt Cooke, 2 and 1; Medicott lost to Smith, 5 and 3; Bendick lost to Ormsby, 1 hole). Great Britain drew with Australia, 3-3 (British names first. Foursomes: J Thornhill and V Thomas halved with E Kennedy and L Briers; K Davis and S Shapcott bt L Goggin and E Maxwell, 8 and 4. Singles: Thomas halved with Kennedy; Shapcott lost to Briers, 2 holes; Thornhill bt Goggin, 1 hole; Davies lost to Maxwell, 2 holes). Final positions: 1, Canada; equal 2, New Zealand and Australia; 4, Great Britain.
CHIBA, Japan: Bridgestone tournament: Final scores (Japanese unless stated): 282: D Ishii (US), 69, 71, 72, 70; N Serizawa, 69, 71, 71, 71; H Makino, 67, 72, 71, 72; M Ozaki, 70, 67, 70, 75; Ishii won play-off at fifth extra hole. 283: T Nakajima, 73, 71, 70, 69; N Faldo (GB), 71, 71, 72, 69.

VOLLEYBALL

ROYAL BANK SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Men: First division: East Kilbride 3, Dundee Kirkton 0; Kinleith Plant 3, Glasgow Gregg 1; Krystal Kleer 3, Bellshill Cardinal 1. Women: First division: Provincial Insurance 3, Glasgow Bannerman 0; Cartuka Brannock, 1 Scottish Farm 3.

BASEBALL

HAVANA: Intercontinental cup: Cuba 8, Chinese Taipei 2; Canada 5, South Korea 3; United States 5, Japan 3. Final positions: 1, Cuba; 2, United States; 3, Japan; 4, Chinese Taipei; 5, Canada; 6, South Korea.

HOCKEY

PIZZA EXPRESS LONDON LEAGUE: Premier division: Hounslow 1, Southgate 2. League: Beckenham 1, St Albans 1; Bromley 5, Hawks 0, Cream 2, Hampstead 0; Dulwich 0, Cambridge University 1; Maidenhead 0, London University 0; Mid-Surrey 3, Teddington 4; Old Kingstonians 1, Spencer 3; Oxford University 0, Tulse Hill 2, Purley 1, Slough 6, Richmond 1, Surbiton 2; Wimbledon 0, Blackheath 0.
NORWICH UNION EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Bedford 3, Bishops Stortford 2; Bury St Edmunds 0, Cambridge City 1; Chelmsford 4, Blueharts 0, Ford 2, Harleston Magpies 2, Ipswich 1, Westcliff 4; Old Loughtonians 11, Colchester 0; Norfolk Wanderers 0, Broxbourne 3; Peterborough 5, West Hertfordshire 1. First division, north: Boston 1, Letchworth 2; Cambridge Nomads 2, Bedford Eagles 1; Norwich Exiles 2, Ipswich and East Suffolk 1; Norwich Union 0, Norwich Grasshoppers 6; St Neots 3, Norwich Earlham 0; Saffron Walden 4, Felixstowe 1; Wisbech 5, Long Sutton 1; Woodhall Spa 1, Pelicans 5. First division, south: Brentwood 4, Clacton 0; Crostyx 8, Havering 0; Harpenden 1, Witham 0; Maldon 2, Berkhamsted 1; Thurrock 2, Welwyn Garden City 3; Wanstead 0, Southend 1.
McEWAN'S LAGER SOUTH LEAGUE: Premier division: Amersham 1, Winchester 1; Bognor 1, Oxford Hawks 0; Canterbury 5, Old Tauntonians 0; Eastcote 0, Anchorians 2; East Grinstead 4, Fareham 0; Gore Court 1, Indian Gymkhana 1; Havant 2, Lewes 0; Trojans 1, Tunbridge Wells 1. Regionals: Hampshire/Surrey: Camberley 4, Goen 3; Merton 1, Epsom 1; National Westminster Bank 0, Old Edwardians 1; Old Mid-Whitgiftians 6, Barnes 0; Southampton University 1, Metropolitan Police 1; United Services Portsmouth 1, Basingstoke 0. Kent/Sussex: Folkestone 2, Lloyds Bank 2; Gravesend 1, Rochester and Gillingham 1; Old Williamsonians 3, Maidstone 0; Thames Polytechnic 0, Worthing 2. Middlesex/Berks, Bucks and Oxon: City of Oxford 2, British Airways 1; Hayes 1, Tilehurst 0; Lyons 3, Sunbury 0; National Physical Laboratories 0, Bracknell 1; Reading University 0, Old Merchant Taylors 2.
WILSON LEAGUE: First division: Cannock 4, Chesterfield 2; Derby 0, Bournville 3; Kidderminster 1, Khalsa 1; Leicester Westleigh 0, Coventry and North Warwickshire 2; Olton and West Warwickshire 1, Harborne; Pickwick 4, Bloxwich 1; South Nottingham 3, Wombourne 1; Stone 1 Stourport 5.
SUN LIFE WEST LEAGUE: Premier division: Exeter Cricket 0, Cheltenham 3; Exeter University 0, Taunton Vale 3; Gloucester City 2, Bream 1; Hereford 1, White Horse West Wilts 3; Isca 1, CS Bath Buccaneers 0; Marlborough 0, Bristol 1; Plymouth 1, Firebrands 3.
TIPP-EX YORKSHIRE LEAGUE: First division: Ben Rhydding 1, Sheffield 3; Doncaster 2, Huddersfield 1; Halifax 2, Appleby Frodingham 2; Wakefield 5, Farsley 0; Wetton 3, Sheffield Bankers 0; York 0, Lincoln 1.
WOMEN: Representative match: Ealing 0, AEWHA Presidents XI 4. Middlesex League: First division: Barclays Bank 2, National Physical Laboratories 3; Sunbury 4, Chiswick 1; Eastcote 1, Middlesex Polytechnic 0.

ICE HOCKEY

NORTH AMERICA: National League: New York Islanders 2, New Jersey Devils 1; Hartford Whalers 5, Chicago Black Hawks 3; New York Rangers 5, Philadelphia Flyers 3; Pittsburgh Penguins 5, Buffalo Sabres 3; Calgary Flames 7, Quebec Nordiques 6; Montreal Canadiens 3, Washington Capitals 2, Edmonton Oilers 9, Vancouver Canucks 5; Minnesota North Stars 7, Toronto Maple Leafs 4; St Louis Blues 4, Boston Bruins 0.

LACROSSE

BRINE NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Heaton Mersey 6, Stockport 15; Mellor 9, Sale 8; Rochdale 7, Old Waconians 19; Urmston 7, Boardman and Eccles 21.
WEYBRIDGE: South clubs and colleges women's tournament: Semi-finals: Sentaurs 4, West London 2; Kingfishers 3, Weybridge 0. Final: Sentaurs 1, Kingfishers 0.

MOTOR CYCLING

SHELL OIL POWERBIKE INTERNATIONAL (1,300cc): 1, M Phillips (Suzuki), 9min 57.4sec 87.03mph; 2, R Marshall (Suzuki), 9:57.5; 3, S Henshall (Suzuki), 9:59.1
ACU MOTOPRIX: British championship round (1,300cc): 1, M Phillips (Suzuki), 12min 26.3sec, 87.08mph; 2, R Marshall (Suzuki), 12:26.9; 3, R Swann (Honda), 12:28.3
ACU MOTOPRIX TROPHY: British championship round (250cc): 1, D McLeod (EMC), 12min 42.7sec, 85.21mph; 2, G Cowan (Honda), 12:43.1; 3, A Machin (Rotax), 12:43.2

BOXING

LIVORNO, Italy: WBA middleweight championship: Sumbu Kalambay (It) bt Iran Barkley (US), pts.
MIAMI: WBC super flyweight championship: Jesus Rojas (Colombia) bt Gustavo Ballas (Arg), rsf 4th.

SWIMMING

DUNDEE: Stakis international meeting: Men: 50 metres freestyle: 1, M Foster (Southend), 22.84sec (British record); 2, R Dekker (Neth), 23.01; 3, M Fibbens (Beckenham), 23.31. 200 metres freestyle: 1, P Brew (Kelly College), 1min 53.27sec; 2, J Broughton (City of Leeds), 1:53.50; 3, S McQuaid (City of Manchester), 1:53.76. 200 metres backstroke: 1, I Panting (Kelly College), 2min 08.64sec; 2, S Cullen (Trojan Club of Ireland), 2:09.66; 3, M Peyrebrune (Warrender), 2:09.90. 100 metres breaststroke: 1, A Moorhouse (City of Leeds), 1min 01.20sec; 2, Dekker, 1:02.44; 3, M Bussell (Beckenham), 1:04.15. 100 metres butterfly: 1, Foster, 56.12sec; 2, Fibbens, 57.15. 400 metres medley: 1, Brew, 4min 25.11sec (Scottish record); 2, T Day (City of Leeds), 4:25.15. Women: 50 metres freestyle: 1, M Muis (Neth), 25.98sec; 2, J Croft (Wigan), 26.80; 3, K Pickering (Shiverers), 27.05. 200 metres freestyle: 1, Marianne Muis (Neth), 2min 00.56sec; 2, Mildred Muis (Neth), 2:00.70; 3, Croft, 2:01.14. 100 metres backstroke: 1, H Slatter (Kelly College), 2min 19.12sec; 2, J Kelly (City of Southampton), 2:23.13; 3, A Ratcliffe (Kelly College), 2:23.25. 100 metres butterfly: 1, C Foot (Millfield) 1min 05.78sec; 2, G Stanley (Stockport Metro), 1:05.48; 3, M Bradley (Kelly College), 1:05.69. 400 metres medley: 1, Z Long (Beckenham), 4min 51.78sec; 2, Stanley, 4:54.80; 3, S Smart (City of Chester), 4:55.42.

TENNIS

AUCKLAND: New Zealand indoor championships: Men's singles: Semi-finals: K Evernden (NZ) bt P Cash (Aus), 3-6, 6-1, 6-3; D Pate (US) bt S Davis (US) 6-3, 7-6. Final: Pate bt Evernden, 6-3, 6-4.
VIENNA: CA Trophy grand prix tournament: Men's singles: Semi-finals: J Svensson (Swe) bt C Mezzadri (Switz), 6-2, 6-3; A Mansdorf (Israel) bt T Muster (Austria), 2-6, 6-4, 6-2. Final: Svensson bt Mansdorf, 1-6, 1-6, 6-2, 6-3, 7-5. Men's doubles: Quarter-finals: M Purcell and T Wilkison (US) bt S Birner and J Navratil (Cz), 4-6, 6-1, 6-3; C Limberger (Austria) and A Mansdorf (Israel) bt N Odizor (Nigeria) and B Testerman (US), 4-6, 7-6, 7-6. Semi-finals: E and J Sanchez (Sp) bt P Korda (Cz) and D Nargiso (It), 6-2, 6-1. Purcell and Wilkison bt Limberger and Mansdorf, 4-6, 6-3, 7-5.
VERONA: Riello international tournament: Final: M Wilander (Swe) bt J McEnroe (US), 6-3, 6-4. Third place play-off: M Mecir (Cz) bt P Cane (It) 6-3, 6-3.
TELFORD: Royal Bank of Scotland junior tournament: Boys: Second round: R Collings (Essex) bt A Hull (Warwicks), 7-5, 6-4; M Harbil (Cheshire) bt P Gainford (Cumbria), 6-2, 7-6; G Gibson (Dorset) bt S Bonham (Essex), 6-4, 6-4; N Adams (Essex) bt O Povey (Wales) 6-1, 6-0. Semi-finals: Adams bt Foster, 2-6, 7-6, 6-2; Barton bt Livermore, 7-6, 6-1. Final: Barton bt Adams, 6-3, 6-2. Girls: Second round: J Halpenny (Avon) bt A Sorkin (Staffs), 6-2, 3-6, 6-3; B Griffiths (Suffolk) bt J Fox (Beds), 6-4, 6-7, 6-0; V Graeme-Barber (Cambs) bt J Harper (Sussex), 6-2, 6-3; M Oldham (Surrey) bt J Sinking (Herts), 7-5, 7-6. Semi-finals: Humphreys-Davies bt Graeme-Barber, 6-1, 6-2; Woodhouse bt Bond, 6-2, 6-1. Final: Humphreys-Davies bt Woodhouse, 6-3, 6-3.

RUGBY UNION

No room for Irish optimism

By George Ace

One could sympathize with Eddie Coleman, Ireland's chairman of selectors, when he said after the Ulster-Munster interprovincial match, which ended 10-10 at Ravenhill on Saturday: "One must ever remain optimistic." True, but there few grounds to suggest that Ireland would face anything other than an extremely demanding year at international level.

And when news filtered through that Leinster, with eight current and former internationals in their side, defeated Connacht, who could boast only one, by a single point — 20-19 — at Lansdowne Road, the consensus of opinion was that the new national coach, Jimmy Davidson, faces a formidable task.

The Leinster referee, Owen Doyle, reversed a penalty decision on the Ulster 22 line with some 15 minutes remaining and Ulster leading 10-7 after an Ulster forward retaliated to a push by throwing a punch, the whistle having already sounded for the initial offence. It was an act of folly which cost Ulster the match, when Kiernan kicked a penalty, and may yet cost them the championship.

The highlight was the Ulster try. Whittle burst clear on the half-way line with Morrow, his Bangor colleague, in support. They were halted on the Munster 22, but the ruck was won and Brady whipped a pass to Russell who set his line in motion. The full back, Rainey, joined in and after Crossan on the extreme left, had been stopped, the ball was worked inside and Irwin, the Ulster captain, powered his way over the line.

Connacht, trailing 20-9 with only a few minutes remaining, launched a spectacular late rally to score two tries.

SCORERS: Ulster: Try: Irwin; Penalty: Russell; Dropped goal: Russell. Munster: Try: Kearney. Penalties: Kiernan (2). Leinster: Tries: MacNeill, Ward, Haycock. Conversion: Ward. Penalty: Ward; Drop goal: Mullin. Connacht: Tries: Cosgrave, Clancy. Conversion: Moran. Penalties: Moran (3).

Widnes suffer from the Holliday blues

If Saturday's international provided few real thrills, yesterday's matches produced sensations in abundance. Widnes, the unbeaten leaders of the first division, and the only side with a hundred per cent league record, lost 21-20 at home to Swinton, who had previously not won a match (Keith Macklin writes).

At Headingley there was a ferocious punch-up in the early minutes of the game between Leeds and the New Zealand touring side Auckland. When the fighting subsided Garry Schofield, the world record signing, scored two tries for Leeds, only to be carried off with a leg injury.

Leeds led 22-4 at one stage, but collapsed in the second half, and Auckland stormed back to win 29-25 with a Lonergan try in the last seconds. Minutes earlier Lonergan had dropped a goal to make it 25-24, only for Crooks to equalize with a drop goal. Amid the mayhem Kevin Rayne of Leeds and Mark Horo of Auckland were sent off.

Widnes were staggered by the late drop goal by Les Holliday at Naughton Park. Although Martin Offiah ran in two fine tries for Widnes, Swinton were never overawed

Bradford Northern beat Hull Kingston Rovers 24-13 in another thriller at Odsal to maintain their championship challenge, but suffered a major blow when their veteran forward Grayshon was carried off the field with a broken leg.

St Helens scored 12 points in the last 10 minutes with Quirk, their try-scoring match winner, to beat Salford 18-8.

Saturday

WHITBREAD TROPHY BITTER TEST: Great Britain 42, Papua New Guinea 0.

Yesterday

TOUR MATCH: Leeds 25, Auckland (NZ) 29.

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: Bradford 24, Hull KR 13; Hull 16, Castleford 37; Salford 8, St Helens 18; Widnes 20, Swinton 21. Second division: Dewsbury 32, Fulham 10; Doncaster 34, Mansfield 10; Featherstone 22, Carlisle 29; Huddersfield 9, Batley 6; Keighley 18, Springfield 20; Oldham 36, Barrow 8; Rochdale 7, Sheffield 2; Wakefield 30, Whitehaven 16; Workington 10, York 11.

UNDER-19 TEST MATCH: Great Britain 10, New Zealand 21

FOOTBALL

Protests at Linfield

Linfield supporters are planning a protest and a possible boycott over the arrangements for spectators at Wednesday night's TNT Gold Cup semi-finalagainst Glentoran at Windsor Park (George Ace writes).

This follows the allocation of the South Stand to Glentoran supporters by the Irish League which resulted in the Shankill Linfield supporters club distributing leaflets among the Linfield supporters at the opening Irish League game against Ballymena at the Showgrounds on Saturday calling on supporters to take action. That action should be taken has the support of the vast majority of Linfield supporters clubs in the province.

Meanwhile Linfield opened in style by bringing Ballymena United back to earth with a 4-1 drubbing after United had taken the lead and were still on level terms at the interval.

Coleraine salvaged a point at the Oval against Glentoran after being out-played; Crusaders slumped to a 4-1 defeat at home by Larne; Newry Town were held to a 1-1 draw by Carrick Rangers at Taylor's Avenue, and Cliftonville showed a welcome return to form with a 2-1 away win against Distillery.

Ferguson sticks his chin out in post-fight verdict

By Stuart Jones
Football Correspondent

West Ham United 1
Manchester United 1

The day after a contest between two heavyweights was relayed to the nation on television, a fixture between a couple of lightweights was shown live yesterday on the small screen. At least a verdict was reached in the boxing. The footballers did not carry anything like enough punch between them for that.

But Alex Ferguson compensated for the timidity on the pitch with comments so strong that they may attract the attention of the authorities. Manchester United's manager, referring to a brief brawl in the closing minutes between Robson and Stewart, stated that the West Ham defender should have been dismissed.

United's captain, who was singled out as the pugilist to be booked for his part in the fracas, was "lucky not to be injured badly", Ferguson said. "Stewart 'did' his jaw. If the linesman had been doing his job properly he would have been sent off."

Robson himself confirmed that he had been struck and accepted that he was guilty subsequently of retaliation. "I regret that, particularly as it was live on television, but when that happens to you, you don't have time to think." He added with a smile: "Having watched Bruno and Bugner, I knew how to take it".

Robson, who pointed out that his visits to Upton Park invariably end in injury, should have been joined in the referee's notebook by Anderson and Ward. Yet there was no air of animosity or even of aggression. The incidents in which they were involved were isolated.

The result can be considered by West Ham as a moral triumph. Without a win in any of their eight home fixtures since August 29, a League point is as welcome as a golden nugget. It lifted them above Luton on goal difference to sixteenth place.

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The outcome must be regarded by United as a moral defeat. Such is the pressure being applied by Liverpool that to achieve anything less than a victory is to lose ground. They are now four points behind the leaders, who have three games in hand.

The draw may have been seen by the viewers as a disappointment, as a bland rather than a vivid picture of two sides struggling with different ambitions. West Ham's is to escape from the bottom. United's is to reach the top. Neither are progressing with conviction.

United spent 44 minutes fashioning imaginative ways in which to scorn the opportunities they created. McClair set an early wayward example but he was surpassed by Robson, who allowed Ince to deflect his close-range effort, and especially by Strachan, who released himself by evading Parris and then dragged his shot wide.

The goal they did eventually claim was as unsatisfactory as West Ham's equalizer. Gibson's free kick would have been collected comfortably by McAlister had it not nudged McQueen, the first brick in the defensive wall.

United were seemingly on their way to their first victory at Upton Park for 19 years. But their dismal record was maintained by another decision that irritated Ferguson. A collision between McGrath and Ward was interpreted by the referee as an offence worthy of a penalty. "It never was," according to United's manager. "Ward, who would never have got to the ball, made the most of it."

Stewart converted it in his usual emphatic manner in the 67th minute. Cottee, at one end, and Robson, at the other, both later declined unmistakeable chances to claim a winner before the unsavoury finale that was uncharacterisic of an afternoon almost devoid of penetrating blows.

WEST HAM UNITED: T McAlister; R Stewart, G Parris, K Keen, A Martin, L Brady, M Ward, A Dickens, P Ince, A Cottee, T McQueen.
MANCHESTER UNITED: G Walsh, V Anderson, C Gibson, M Duxbury, P McGrath, K Moran, B Robson, G Strachan (sub: C Blackmore), B McClair, P Davenport, J Olsen.
Referee: B Stevens.

Bruno's champagne celebration

A victory to dine out on: Frank Bruno with his girlfriend, Laura, celebrate the British boxer's win over Joe Bugner on Saturday night. Another date to pencil into their dairies is Saturday, June 18, when Bruno is likely to be attempting to dethrone undisputed heavyweight champion, *Mike Tyson*.

The venue looks like Wembley Stadium and there could be a crowd of 65,000 willing Bruno to become the first British holder of the world title this century.

Bruno's eighth-round stoppage of Joe Bugner, the man who had come to haunt him, should be enough to make the date with Tyson a certainty. The American's manager, Jim Jacobs, at the ringside, said: "He deserves his chance and I'll be talking to the people concerned."

Bugner on the other hand should be getting used to life without boxing, come next June. The heavyweight, aged 37, and £250,000 richer, quit the ring after losing inside the distance for only the third time in his 74-bout, 20-year career — this time it has to be for good.

***The former world champion*, Terry Marsh, said he would jump off Tower Bridge if Bruno won, but he will not need to. Bruno intends pushing him off!**

"If I get a chance against Tyson I'll just do my best. He does not have Bugner's experience, but he has a lot more power."

After going to Loch Ness for some sightseeing Bugner faces one more *contest in Britain* - in a Cambridge courtroom on November 11 with his first wife, Melody, in the opposite corner claiming further maintenance payments.

Then it will be back to Sydney to *resume a television and acting career, but* no more boxing. "It's the end of an era and the sport is going to miss me tremendously."

END COLUMN

Richards revives appetite for game

From John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent
Jaipur

Vivian Richards rates the match between England and West Indies today as the most important he has played since becoming captain of West Indies two years ago. If West Indies lose, they are out of the World Cup, provided England beat Sri Lanka on Friday, and that would be a mortal blow to Richards's pride.

Although West Indies have not been playing well, I am much struck by the contrast between Richards's demeanour at the moment and *what it was nine months ago* after they had lost to England in Tasmania, a defeat which cost them a place in the finals of the World Series Cup.

Like the World Cup, that was a competition which, until then, they had dominated. At the airport next morning Richards, was a lone, morose figure, out of touch as much with his manager as with his players.

He was finding it a burden being the successor to Clive Lloyd, whose success as a captain was based not on any particular tactical acumen so much as the fact that he became over the years a father figure to his team.

With Holding retired from *international cricket, and* Garner, Greenidge and Marshall missing from the World Cup, Richards is now working hard, with the formidable assistance of Clyde Walcott, manager of the present side, *to* build up a good relationship of his own with his charges. He wants it to be his side. He remains, at 35, extremly fit and strong, *and sets a fierce pace* in the nets.

Now that his departure from Somerset hurts less than it did, he is said to see it as a *blessing in disguise*. Playing less cricket this year, as a result of it, has reinvigorated him. Although the Somerset rumpus took place 15 months ago, and despite their often having been on the same ground in Australia last winter, Richards and his former county captain, Peter Roebuck, exchanged their first words *in all that time* on the flight from Delhi last Friday. As Richards was getting off so was Roebuck, and the conversation went like this:

Richards: dangerous mood

"Nice to see you, *Viv*; you're looking well."

"Thank you, professor. You don't look so bad yourself."

That was it.

Richards is in a *dangerous* mood — relaxed yet like a coiled spring, more confident of his authority than he has been before and immensely determined. He regrets not having played in the MCC *bicentenary match at Lord's in* August more than he thought he ever would. That, too, has revived his appetite for the game. He is keen to get the best out of his players and to do his best for them. "We are still a wonderful unit," he says.

It was the turn of the West Indians to suffer a misfortune in the nets yesterday, worse than that which befell Downton last week. They were thinking of playing Tony Gray today and England were rather hoping they would not. Now they cannot. Batting in the nets to Hooper, a bowler of the gentlest pace, he had his left forearm broken by a ball which reared *geometrically*. Being fast and very tall himself, Gray has had plenty of victims of his own, but no one would have wished this to happen.

The ground here is a picture. On the golf course close by, there is not a blade of grass to be seen, except on the holes that cross the polo field: the greens are not greens but browns, made of sand and sealed with oil. There have been only 15 days' rain here in the last five years. Not 200 miles away, there is a place where it has not rained in living memory. Yet the outfield for today is quite lush and the pitch looks more English than I have ever seen on the subcontinent. It is evenly grassed and immaculately prepared.

Now Ball says he is staying

Alan Ball, the Portsmouth manager, yesterday insisted that he was not about to leave the club — despite his comments on Saturday which suggested that a resignation was imminent. But he is still determined to hold a meeting with his chairman, John Deacon.

***Ball*, who recently signed a new three-year contract with Portsmouth, inexplicably threw his future at Fratton Park into doubt after the 2-1 defeat at Queens Park Rangers when he told the after-match press conference: "That could well be my last game as Portsmouth manager."**

Ball claimed that Deacon had made a remark at Thursday's board meeting in front of the club directors: "He has hurt me very deeply." Ball added: "It is a personal thing. It is nothing to do with football, nothing to do with Ian Baird."

Deacon said: "It is all very silly. And for him to blame me like this — I don't get it."

Hartley in limbo over his future

by Clive White

Trevor Hartley, temporarily in charge of team affairs at Tottenham Hotspur, today prepares a team still bewildered by the sudden departure of its manager David Pleat, for a daunting Littlewoods Cup third round tie against Aston Villa at Villa Park on Wednesday knowing that he could be out of a job by the time the match takes place.

Hartley, who joined Pleat at Tottenham in May last year from Luton Town, where the pair had been in harness for two years, said: "I feel I am in an invidious position. The chairman has said nothing to me as yet about my situation. I've just told the players to turn up for training tomorrow as usual."

Hartley, who gained experience in management at Bournemouth and was director of coaching in Singapore for four years, is unlikely to continue in his caretaker role for very long.

Terry Venables remains as big a favourite to take charge at White Hart Lane as Frank Bruno was on Saturday evening. But the battle for one of the biggest jobs in British football could develop into more than a two-horse race, should Venables declare himself as a non-runner.

The threat by Alan Ball that the match at Loftus Road on Saturday would probably be his last as manager of Portsmouth has put him — intentionally or not — into the Tottenham frame.

Dave Mackay, an even more popular player than Venables at Tottenham in his day, was another name being thrust to the fore yesterday, while a Continental manager still cannot be discounted. Udo Lattek, another former Barcelona manager, is a candidate of vast experience and, importantly, unattached.

However, speculation was rife yesterday that Tottenham have already contacted Venables in the United States, where he is on a golfing holiday. The suggestion that the sight of the Inland Revenue waiting to greet him at the airport might dissuade the peseta billionaire from returning to England just now has been scotched by a Revenue spokesman.

He was quoted as saying: "Mr Venables could have been in Spain long enough to qualify for a completely fresh start in England as far as the Inland Revenue is concerned."

● Pleat's role in the ITV football commentary team will be determined at a meeting tomorrow. "There is a Heads of Sport meeting scheduled for Tuesday and the David Pleat situation will be discussed," confirmed an ITV spokesman. "But at this moment he hasn't been dropped from the team." Pleat stepped down from yesterday's Big Match presentation involving West Ham and Manchester United, West Bromwich manager, Ron Atkinson, taking his place.

Aberdeen pay the penalty

The Skol Cup became the permanent property of Rangers yesterday after they won a breathtaking penalty kick shoot-out 5-4 at Hampden Park. A missed penalty by Nicholas was the deciding factor as the final ended 3-3 after extra time. Rangers, who clawed their way back into the highest scoring final for 14 years, now keep the cup after winning it three times under the sponsorship of Skol.

Roberts, the stand-in captain, lifted it aloft after Rangers successfully converted all five of their penalties. McCoist, Cooper, Fleck, Francis and Durrant gave Leighton no chance but Nicholas, Aberdeen's third penalty taker, skimmed his effort over the top of the crossbar.

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Hearn to fight WPBSA

by Steve Acteson

Barry Hearn, fresh from his successful promotion of Frank Bruno's victory, came out punching yesterday against the plans of the World Professional Billiards and Snooker Association (WPBSA) for four overseas ranking tournaments beginning next summer.

A "highly sceptical" Hearn said that the higher rated players in his stable of seven — Steve Davis, Jimmy White, Neal Foulds, Dennis Taylor, Terry Griffiths, Willie Thorne and Tony Meo — were unlikely to take part, and the world champion, Davis, "is almost a definite non-starter because of all his other commitments".

Hearn, who stages the third leg of his own exclusive World Series in Toronto from tomorrow to Saturday, featuring the world's leading eight players, was unable to be specific — "How can I be when they are not?"

The WPBSA's snap announcement on Saturday contained few definite proposals and left a wealth of questions unanswered.

The Association's chairman, Rex Williams, announced plans for ranking tournaments in Hong Kong, Australia and Canada and a European Open, almost certainly in Belgium, to add to the six ranking tournaments which take place in Britain. But there were no details of where qualifying would take place, who would be sponsoring the new events and whether television had shown an interest.

Hearn said: "I don't want to be critical because it's a wonderful idea in principle but we need more information.

SEMI-FINALS: S Hendry (Scot), J Parrott (Eng), 9-7. Frame scores (Parrott first) 104-1, 78-42, 71-62, 130-0, 0-130 57-58, 40-78, 30-70, 93-33, 77-9, 2-77, 1-74, 53-62, 14-100, 76-0, 19-61. Dennis Taylor (N Ire) bt P Francisco (SA) 9-4. Frame scores (Taylor first) 59-57, 95-0, 21-70, 69-17, 80-9, 21-77, 33-71, 95-0, 29-93, 68-40, 64-15, 78-46, 103-13.
FINAL: Taylor and Hendry level at 4-4 (best of 19 frames). Frame scores (Taylor first) 68-60, 74-52, 90-9, 0-79, 60-26, 22-96, 11-89, 13-73.

Sabatini recovery leads to Classic victory

By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent

Gabriela Sabatini of Buenos Aires, aged 17, beat Pam Shriver by 7-5, 6-4 in the singles final of the Volvo Classic at the Brighton Centre yesterday. Miss Sabatini's prize of £25,000 raised her on-court earnings for the year to almost £200,000, a figure all the more astonishing because she has won only one other tournament.

Miss Sabatini came from behind in both sets, saving a set point in the first with one of many backhand passing shots down the line. The fluctuations in the score, together with the high quality of the tennis and the contrast in playing methods, made the final an entertaining climax to what had otherwise been one of the more commonplace Brighton tournaments.

Miss Shriver began almost flawlessly well, exploiting her admirable forecourt game. Good serving, plus punishment of Miss Sabatini's second ball, gave her many chances to get to the net. Meantime Miss Sabatini was range-finding and making mistakes. Miss Sabatini found her range. From 0-4 down she won seven games out of eight: and had two break points in the other.

When Miss Sabatini began to pepper the corners of the court and explore the angles with her dipping top-spin (all this with consistent accuracy), Miss Shriver found herself in a tactical quandary. What made it worse was the facility of Miss Sabatini's service returns, taken early, and the impressive improvement in her first service and her net game. Her coach, Angel Gimenez, deserves credit for all this — and after the match Miss Sabatini publicly thanked him.

It became awfully risky for Miss Shriver to go to the net. She is long-limbed and her anticipation is good. But Miss Sabatini seemed to find gaps everywhere. Miss Shriver, smart and tenacious, was driven to the expedient of using the drop-and-lob routine, which indicated both initiative and desperation. There were some dazzling rallies in the second set. Like the first, it could have gone either way. But in the last three games Miss Shriver won only three points.

Early in the second set Miss Shriver playfully mimicked Miss Sabatini's multi-bounce serving ritual. Shortly afterwards Miss Sabatini was warned for a time violation. She is not the worst offender in women's tennis, but it was gratifying to hear an umpire applying the relevant rule.

The paying public can find better things to do than watch players bouncing balls. To revert to a criticism made here on Saturday, professional tennis is part of the entertainment business. Tournaments, like stage shows, do not exist simply to provide the participants with a living. Those participants have a duty to please, as best they can, and it is time tennis players, all of them, measured up to the theatre's tradition for zest and maximum commitment — at every show.

This week there are women's tournaments at Zurich and Indianapolis, plus the annual Wightman Cup match between the United States and Britain, to be played this time at Williamsburg, Virginia.

Incidentally, Ted Tinling, who has been associated with women's tennis since the 1920s, insists that international team competition for women was first proposed not by Hazel Wightman, but by Lady Sophie Wavertree, a socialite whose friends on the Riviera circuit of the 1920s included Suzanne Lenglen.

Lady Wavertree's proposal, Tinling adds, was turned down by the British, French and United States associations and consequently vanished into the void, like many other good ideas. But if Tinling is right — and he usually is — a lot of history books need revising.

England approach top form

By Colin McQuillan

England emerged from a weekend of testing squash yesterday assured of a place in the quarter-finals of the ICI Perspex world team championships and visibly heartened by performances of players reaching encouraging form after recent disasters.

Philip Kenyon, particularly, recovered some of the stride and urgency that in the past has made him one of England's more successful internationals, but which in recent weeks was plainly missing as he fell to less experienced players on the Asian circuit and in the world open champipnship at Birmingham.

Against Magdi Saad, of Egypt, on Saturday, and Mark Maclean, of Scotland, yesterday, Kenyon was near his rhythmic best, leading England to 3-0 wins on both occasions, which maintained an undefeated progress thus far through their pool D elimination round, with only Ireland left to play at South Bank Club this afternoon.

Things in the England camp are looking better than at any previous moment in their campaign. In addition to Kenyon's solid input, both Neil Harvey, who defeated Amir Wagih on Saturday, and Bryan Beeson, who yesterday defeated Colin Keith, are displaying a level of skill and appetite at third string, which must threaten any team

In both weekend matches, against Gamal El Amir, of Egypt, and Frank Ellis, of Scotland, Gawain Briars provided a fearsome prospect at second string.

Jonah Barrington, the England coach, was a contented man yesteday, and was talking with confidence of raising his squad's sights yet again for the quarter-finals which start at the Royal Albert Hall on Wednesday.

RESULTS: England 3, Scotland 0 (P Kenyon bt M Maclean, 9-6, 9-3, 9-6; G Briars bt F Ellis, 9-2, 9-1, 9-2; B Beeson bt C Keith, 9-2, 9-7, 9-3); England 3, Egypt 0 (P Kenyon bt M Saad, 9-1, 3-5, 9-3; G Briars bt G El Amir, 9-8, 9-1, 9-6; N Harvey bt A Wagih, 9-7, 9-1, 9-6); Australia 3, Spain 0; Singapore 2, Netherlands 1; France 3, Switzerland 0; Scotland 2, Ireland 1 (M Maclean bt J McKay, 9-4, 9-6, 9-0; F Ellis lost to N Ryan, 9-1, 6-9, 9-0, 8-10, 0-9; C Keith bt K Flynn, 9-7, 9-3, 9-0); Brazil 3, Kuwait 0; Canada 3, United States 0; New Zealand 3, Wales 0 (R Norman bt C Jones, 9-3, 5-9, 9-3, 9-2; S Davenport bt A Davies, 9-2, 9-6, 9-1; R Watt bt A Evans, 9-2, 9-5, 6-9, 9-5); Finland 3, Denmark 0; Sweden 3, Malaysia 0; Pakistan 3, Greece 0; West Germany 2, Norway 1; New Zealand 3, Denmark 0; Pakistan 3, Malaysia 0; West Germany 3, Greece 0; Sweden 3, Norway 0.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Winners' incentive

The winners of the recently announced national hockey league will represent England in the European Cup for club champions, it was announced *yesterday*.

The league, which will start on October 15 next year, will consist of two divisions, each containing 16 teams.

Jones again

Chicago (AP) — Steve Jones, of Wales, twice the winner of America's Chicago marathon, added the city's half marathon title to his collection yesterday, completing the 13.1 miles in 1:04:20.

Mullery: upset by gossip

Mullery goes

Alan Mullery, aged 45, the former Brighton manager, has resigned as part-time manager of non-League Southwick, a Vauxhall Opel League club because of gossip about his future and the team's record.

Search off

Paris (AFP) — The search for the missing French yachtsman, Daniel Gilard, who fell overboard from his catamaran off the Azores on Friday during the La Baule-Dakar race, has been abandoned, French and Portuguese authorities announced yesterday. The French authorities said there was now no hope of finding Gilard alive.

Hall loses

Darren Hall of England, lost 15-7, 15-4 to Torben Carlsen, of Denmark, in the final of the Danish Open badminton championships yesterday. Carlsen dominated matters with ice-cold control but it was an entertaining match full of exciting net duels and rushes.

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